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## STRUCK BY AN ENGINE.

THOMAS DUNN AND JESSE OSBORN HAVE A CLOSE CALL NEAR THE OLD STONE MILL IN GEORGETOWN.

### THEIR HORSE INSTANTLY KILLED.

**DUNN UNCONSCIOUS WHFN FOUND BY AN EMPLOYEE** OF THE CILBERT & BENNETT COMPANY.

Passengers on the train, on the Dan- when their attention was attracted by bury & Norwalk branch of the Consolidated railroad due at South Norwalk at 7:48 were considerably shaken and in some cases badly frightened, by an accident that occurred at a crossing near Georgetown last night.

Later developments proved that the locomotive on the train had struck and killed a horse, wrecked a carriage and injured the two occupants of the latter.

The engineer it is asserted did not stop his train until Cannon was reached, when it was found that there was a quantity of horse-hair on the locomotive and that the guard rail of the steps leading to the smoking car had been badly twisted.

The train continued on to South Norwalk, and on the way the conductor advised the engineer of the up freight that his train had struck something at the Georgetown crossing, presumably some animal, and to keep a lookout for

Our Wilton representative sends by telephone the following details of the accident:

The train due at Georgetown at 7:21 last night struck a horse and carriage near what is known as the old stone

In the carriage were Thomas Dunn and Jesse Osborn, who were driving from Danbury to visit at the home Willis S. Betts at Cannon.

The engineer did not at the time know that he had struck anything and went through to South Norwalk where he found blood and hair on the loco-

Two men in the employ of the Gilbert & Bennett Manufacturing company, and named Wallace Smith and

Write to Him.

David Ward, the lucky gold miner,

who brought back the news of a rich

find of gold on the American side of

Alaska, and who says the rush next

Jammer went to his home near by and securing a lantern returned and found two men lying beside the track. One of them who it was later found to hospital he had recourse to strategy. be Thomas Dunn was in an unconscious

The other man who proved to be Jesse Osborn was conscious and able to tient to hear were he conscious. give his own and his companion's name and place of residence, which was Dan-

The men were removed to Jammer's home, and Dr. H. P. Mansfield summoned. Dunn regained consciousness in about two hours.

Besides other wounds the physician was of the opinion that they had been injured internally.

The up train due at Georgetown at 7:05, this morning stopped at the crossing where the accident occurred and both of the unfortunate men were removed from Jammer's house to the train and taken to Danbury and from over it now." the station transferred to the hospital in that city.

The horse which the men were driving was hurled to one side of the track and instantly killed.

The carriage and harness were completely wrecked.

Both of the victims of the accident are well known in Danbury, Dunn hav ing at one time been a clerk at the Turner House, and Osborn a clerk in a leading news-store in that city.

When news of the accident reached South Norwalk, the report gained circulation that one of the men was "Tommy" Dunn, formerly of that city, and who some months since removed to Louis Jammer were on their way home Danbury, but such was not the fact.

#### FOR BANK EXAMINERS.

E. P. Metcalf Appointed for Connecticut and Rhode Island.

spring will be far down the Yukon on the American side, spent three years The comptroller of the currency yesprospecting in Alaska, and in that time terday appointed E. P. Metcalf of Provionly received seven letters from home. dence to be national bank examiner for Since his return he has had more than the district of Connecticut and Rhode that many thousands of letters from Island. He succeeded the late Daniel would-be argonauts in three months. Day of Providence, who resigned the He is now in Philadelpha, Pa., and office on account of ill health ten days tries to answer every inquiry concernprior to his death. Mr. Metcalf is said ing the Far North, its perils, rigors of to have high qualifications for the office. climate and wonderful riches. His He was indorsed by the senators and practical experience makes his advice representatives from Rhode Island, and highly valuable, and anyone interested the members of the Connecticut delein Alaska should avail themselves of gation conceded the appointment to that state because Connecticut was given the appointment of internal revenue collector. It is possible that Mr. Doo-Contractor Samuel B. Sherwood has ley of Hartford, who was appointed as a decided to remove his business and special examiner for the same district several years ago as a democrat, will

#### be continued in office for the present.

household belongings to Stamford where he will reside. He commenced moving yesterday, but will himself remain in town until such work as he now has in hand is completed. Will Retire Gracefully.

his knowledge by writing to him.

Boss Carpenter to Move.

Deputy Collector E. N. Sloan, of Norwalk in an interview with a Bridgeport Standard reporter, said: "It is not true that I will make a fight when I am compelled to vacate the office. I will leave it as gracefully as I took it."

#### Death From Appendicitis.

Louis G. Rathburn, Jr., aged 11, a pupil at the Curtis boarding school at Brookfield, died yesterday from appendicitis. The lad had been in ill-health for about a year, and his condition puzzled the physicians.

#### Tenth Anniversary.

The Boston store will celebrate its tenth anniversary to-morrow with a "Grand Profit Sharing Sale." It will be just 10 years ago to-morrow that this successful business house opened it was believed would be conducive to its doors for business. The day was much good, more especially to the that of the memorable blizzard of 1888. They are always going ahead and never looking backward. They are upto-date in everything; that is the reason of their unquestionable success. Give their new adv. in to-day's issue a perusal. It will pay you.

Joseph Busch lies at the point of death at his home on Water street.

### FAKED A TRANCE.

To Arouse Him for a Long Time.

Ammonia, Pinching, and Other Heroic Remedies of the Harlem Hospital Doctors Had No Effect, but the Mention of Hot Iron Finally Caused the Fakir to Admit the Sham.

Policeman Collins of the New York police found a well-dressed youth apparently unconscious, on the sidewalk at 122d street and Mount Morris Park, West, last night. As he did not seem to be drunk, the policeman called an ambulance from the Harlem hospital. Dr. Charles O'Higgins was on the ambulance. He tried to arouse the man with spirits of ammonia, but without success. He suspected that his patient was shamming, so on the way to the

"I want you to prepare the ice bath and get the hot irons ready," he said to the driver loud enough for his pa-

"Te be sure," answered the driver, and the hot needles, too, I suppose?' Talk of this sort, however, had no effect. The man was apparently still in a trance. At the hospital he stood all the tests of drugs and much pinching, and Dr. Higgins began to suspect that he might not be shamming, after all.

"Those hot irons ready?" he called as a last resort, at the same time ordering the patient carried into another room. This was too much for the trance fakir. He came to in a jiffy.

"Hold on there!" he exclaimed, sitting up. "I was in a trance, but I'm

Upon being rigorously questioned, he admitted that he had been shamming. He said his name was Eben J. Owens of Stamford and that he wanted to get into the hospital to preach the Gospel to the inmates.

In his pockets were a large number f Norwalk and Stamford newspaper clippings, in which his many trances were described at length. One of the stories set forth that he had great power over insane persons, quieting them by singing and whistling. After being soundly rated by Dr. Higgins for his tricks, Owens was put out of the hos-

#### MR. GOODWIN ACCEPTS,

He and Colonel Osborn to inspect the Harlem Division.

At the last annual meeting of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company Henry L. Goodwin of East Hartford criticised the relations of the main company and its Harlem River branch, now the Harlem division. Judge J. M. Hall, vice-president of the company, thereupon invited Mr. Goodwin to accompany him in his private car over the road so that he might see just what that line is and the business that it does. Mr. Goodwin was somewhat reluctant at first to travel in state, but he has finally accepted the invitation and the trip will be taken on Wednesday, May 4. Colonel N. G. Osborn will make the third in the party.

#### "The Five Points."

"The five points of the Methodist doctrine" were fully presented at a meeting held in the Methodist church. last evening. Rev. F. A. Scofield presented each point in such a manner that none present could fail of understanding one and all of them. His remarks were attentively listened to and army of new converts.

#### BEST OF ALL

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the Springtime comes, use the true and per fect remedy, Syrup of Figs. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Sprup Co. only, and for sale by all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle. Easter festival were made.

### DE MARCO TRIAL.

Eben Owens Defied Attempts The Stamford Murderer Being Tried For His Life.

Jury of Twelve Good Men Chosen Yester-

The trial of Antonio De Marco for the murder of Angostino Parrelli in Stamford on December 15 last, was commenced in the criminal superior court yesterday morning before Judge William T. Elmer and a jury.

must stand trial was the result of a quarrel which started over cards and was fanned into a fierce flame over a further argument about the price of

It commenced in the afternoon in a saloon, was carried by all the parties to the house of a friend where they were taking supper and was continued with the fatal ending in the resort where it was first started.

It was charged that De Marco used a villainous stilletto with deadly effect on the murdered man named above and also on the latter's brother, Phillippo The latter died immediately. Angos. tino lingered several hours and was able to make an anti mortem statement in which he accused De Marco. The murdered men were uncles of the mur-

for the murder of Angostino, as by so doing it could use the latter's dying

It did not take long to secure a jury and the following were chosen to hear the case: Hezekiah B. Osborn and Elmer Jackson of Wilton, Edward D. Gillette of Easton, Charles P. Chapman and Ebenezer Baker of Westport, Morris W. Perry and Henry B. Wheeler of Weston, Almon H. Taylor and Howard A. Andrews of Brookfield, John H. Sherwood of Fairfield, George A. Nichols of Greenwich and David A. Nichols of Monroe.

The accused was defended by Attorney Michael Kenealy and Justin J.Curtis of Stamford. States Attorney Samuel Fessenden conducted the case for

The evidence introduced yesterday was mainly of an expert character. Three doctors testified in regard to the wounds and their effect in causing

An ugly looking stilletto was introduced and in reply to a question Dr. Hexamer said that it fitted the most serious wound in the dead man's body.

#### "Counting On" a Good Time.

The Trinity church club met at the home of Mr. Seymour C. Palmer on Elmwood avenue, South Norwalk last night, and unanimously decided that it would not be out of order to give their lady friends in the parish an evening of pleasure so far as it lay in their power to provide. And the ladies of the parish are already "counting on" the good time that is in store for them.

#### The Hat Trimmers.

The Hat Trimmers' Union has elected the following officers: Mrs. Fannie J. Joice, president; Mrs. Esther Stevens, vice-president; Miss Emma Buxton, secretary; Miss Anna Burr, treasurer. A special meeting was held last evening at which matters of importance to the Union were fully discussed.

#### Still Alive.

Kabacsa Encampment, I. O. G. F. conferred the first degree last night, and the "goat" is still alive for a second and third degree exercise which "he" will be called upon to perform before the month of March shall lapse into the lap of April.

#### Saugatuck Postoffice.

Representative Hill on Wednesday recommended to the Postoffice department Hiram Jeliff for appointment as postmaster at Saugatuck. The Saugatuck office is one of the best fourth class offices in the state, paying \$685 a

The Easter committe of the First M. E. church held a meeting in Kneudson hall last night. Arrangements for the

#### EVE'S RAMBLINGS.

COMMENT AND GOSSIP AMONG THE WOMEN, BY ONE OF THEM.

I understand the good ladies who are interested in the hospital, propose giving another entertainment on April 27. This is a good idea and should meet with a generous response from

I am informed that the Knob club expects to have a most prosperous season this year, and that the quota of the club will be filled long before opening The crime for which the accused day. The suggestion of the managers that a carryall be run daily between the trolley and club grounds is meet ing with unanimous approval.

> There is no more delightful spot on Long Island Sound than the Knob, and I am pleased to hear of the club's suc-The only drawback in former years has been in getting to the grounds, and now that a conveyance is to be run daily, we shall expect to see the place crowded during the entire summer.

Mr. Henry Price, musical director at the Methodist church, is to be congratulated on securing the services of Mrs. Imogene Ross for his choir. Mrs. Ross has a charming soprano voice and will no doubt delight the congregation with her solos during the coming year.

In speaking of Mr. Price, I have often wondered if the Methodist people realize how hard he labors to give them good music. In season and out of season Mr. Price is at work on church The state selected to try De Marco music, and at Easter he generally favors the congregation with a most excellent selection. He is an untiring worker and a credit to the church.

I hear it whispered that Mr. Harry Pepper would not be adverse to joining the choir of the new South Norwalk Methodist church. How true it is I do not know, but if he should leave Grace church the void in the latter's choir would be hard to fill.

The beautiful spring weather yesterterday brought out a large number of fair bicyclists, West avenue being crowded during the entire afternoon, I noticed, too, that the elder ladies were out in greater numbers than theyounger riders.

In watching the numerous riders, I was forcibly struck by the different styles of dresses worn, and I must say that I have yet to see a becoming and tasty spring bicycle suit.

A Daughter of Eve.

#### Special for Saturday.

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#### AMUSEMENTS.

Payton's Big Comedy Company.

A representative of the The GAZETTE in a talk with Manager Hoyt, asked for wife of Julius B. Hawley, aged 71 information concerning the Payton Big Comedy company, which is booked to appear at his house on March 14. He was profuse in his praise of the excellence of the company, and the artistic merit of the productions given by them. The magnificent manner in which the Payton company's repertoire of plays are produced, was a revelation to me," he said, "in view of the fact that popular prices are charged. The costumes are handsome, the scenery and stage settings splendid, the cast excellent. I feel no hesitancy in saying that it is the strongest repertoire company appearing this season at popular prices. Baby June, the wonderful child artist, will no doubt capture the hearts of the

#### May Lose His Eyesight.

Word was received in Stamford yesterday from Dr. Charles E. Rowell of that place, who is now in Florida, that he had suffered paralysis of the optic nerves and was likely to lose his eye-

#### Jumped the Track.

A freight train jumped the track at Bridgeport this morning, with the result that some of the trains going west and due at South Norwalk before 8 o'clock were from an hour to an hour and a half behind time. All after the 6:15 train had gone through on time.

#### The Weather.

Threatening weather followed by showers to-night or Saturday.

### HAT SHOP BURNED.

Loss of \$3,500 at Bethel and 75 Hands Thrown Out of Work.

#### Danbury Also Experiences a Fire From Carholic Acid Igniting.

The hat factory of Gorman, Wixted & Crowe, near the Bethel railroad station, was completely destroyed by fire last night.

The building was a two-story frame structure, and burned rapidly. The fire is thought to have started in the boiler room, as the flames when first discovered were in that part of the building.

The loss is estimated at \$3,500 and fully covered by insurance.

There were seventy-five hands employed in the factory, all of whom are thrown out of work by the fire.

Danbury was also visited by a fire, last evening, shortly after 8 o'clock, when the flames broke out in Reed & Co.'s drug store, of which Mayor Kerr is the proprietor, at the corner of Main and Keller streets, resulting in about \$1,000; insured. The fire was caused by some carbolic acid that Thomas Ryan, a clerk, was heating over a kerosene stove in the laboratory, becoming ignited. Ryan was forced to make a hurried exit. There were several minor explosions as the fire reached some chemicals in jars in the laboratory and a very poisonous smoke at first retarded the work of the fire department, but the flames, however, were confined to the back part of the store.

#### BIRTHS.

Hamilton.—In Bridgeport, March 6, a daughter to William C. and Catherine Ferris Hamilton.

#### DEATHS.

Anderson.—In South Norwalk, March 6, Carl A., infant son of Charles and Gertrude Anderson of Grove street, aged 3 months.

ARCHAMBEAULT—In Bridgeport, March 7, Grace Irene, infant daughter of George F. and Mary A. Archambeault, aged 4 months.

BARRY.—In New York, March 9th, Patrick, son of James and Margaret Barry, aged 21 years, formerly of Bridgeport.

CLARKE—In Bridgeport, March 7, Dora, widow of Edward P. Clarke, aged 42 years.

GLYNN-In Bridgeport, March 6th, Emaline, wife of Samuel Glynn, aged 39 years. GUNTHER-In Stratford, Conn., Mar. 4, Christian G. Gunther, aged 48 years.

GILMARTIN—In Bridgeport, March 8, Catherine, wife of Patrick Gilmartin, aged 59 years. HAWLEY.-In Bridgeport, March 9,

Mrs. Harriet Blackman, widow of the late Robert Nichols Hawley, in the 82d vear of her age.

years. HAYES.—In Bridgeport, March 9th, Eliza J., widow of the late William Hayes, aged 77 years.

HORTON—In Bridgeport, March 7th, John Henry, son of Mary and Stephen Horton, aged 2 years.

HOWARD—In Bridgeport, March 5, Clara. wife of Edward Howard, aged 29 years.

MENGES-In Bridgeport, March 4, Mrs. Caroline, widow of the late Wm. Menges, aged 78 years, 2 months and 8

M'ALLISTER -- In Danbury March 4, Margaret A., infant daughter of John and Mary McAllister, 11 McDermott street, aged four months.

MUNN-In Bridgeport, Mar.7, Polly, widow of Nathaniel Munn, aged 88

OAKES.—In Rowayton, March 6, Willie C., son of Charles H. and Minnie Oakes, aged 3 years. PARSONS.—In Danbury, March 10th, Emma E., daughter of Alfred and

Sarah Parsons, aged 4 years.

ROBINSON—In Bridgeport, March 5, Margaret A., daughter of Richard and Maria Robinson, aged 22 years SHEPARD-In Great Plain, Danbury,

March 6th, Jennie Field Shepard, aged 18 years. STENSON. —In Danbury, March 9th, Martin Stenson, of 35 Fairfield avenue.

SAUER-In Danbury, March 4, Elsa

Barbet Sauer, daughter of Eugene and Augusta Sauer, aged 1 year, 8 months WORDEN-In Bridgeport, March 6, Emily S., wife of Charles E. Worden, aged 67 years.

VICKERS-In Bridgeport, March 9. John F., son of John H. and Teresa Vickers, aged 2 months.

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INEFFICIENCY OF SPAIN

Unable to Preserve Order, and the United States Must Intervene-Whether War Results or Not Depends on Spain-Administration Ready to Act.

Washington, March 10 .- The Administration realizes that while there may be a peaceful settlement of the Maine question, the greater one, that of Cuba, still remains. To settle this the President and his Cabinet are preparing. This means the independence of Cuba.

The President, in his message to Con-ress, stated his plan in this matter. He gave Spain an opportunity to put autonomy into effect and asked her to set a time when she would restore peace on the island. The Administration has waited patiently for the Ma-drid Government to name this date,

but no answer has been received.

It is evident to the President and his Cabinet that when the report of the Court of Inquiry and the Cuban cor-respondence are made public, the Ad-ministration must be prepared to act as the President promised in his message last December. Spain has permitted the time to pass when anything short of the independence of Cuba will

The course of the President in the last few days, the asking for a \$50,000,-000 appropriation, the active prepara-tions for any emergency by all the departments, and the taking of the public into his confidence-all mean that the real crisis is about at hand.

This is practically the universal opinion in Congress, and it is more than mere speculation. No doubt is felt that the independence of Cuba is to be recognized by this Government. Whether this causes war depends upon Spain. The loss of the Maine is known not to have been the result of an accident. If it is not shown to have been the act of Spanish officials, or by their connivance, it will still demonstrate the inefficiency of Spainish control in Ha-The necessity of assistance by this Government to prevent the depopulation of the island by starvation confessed by the acceptance of the assistance, is another evidence of the helplessness of Spain to maintain in Cuba the conditions of government. The barbarities, proven and confessed, show inability to preserve the forms of civilization. Incapacity and loss of control on the island are shown.

Intervention by this Government to save the population from starvation is the first step toward a broader inter-vention to preserve life and property and to save the island from becoming a barren waste. The conditions in Cuba have compelled Spain to acknowledge the need and propriety of this Government intervening to check devastation by starvation. The right of further intervention, if necessary, naturally fol-

This is the view of the situation held in Congress, and intervention is ex-

The passage of the fifty million appropriation bill by Congress has brought a general sense of relief. Here-tofore there has been apprehension that evil would result from the Administration not being prepared for an emergency, and, at the same time, it was feared that the public steps necessary to preparation would aggravate the situation. Moreover, both parties feared some break or evidence of lack of harmony when the time came for action. All these apprehensions have been relieved by the unanimous vote in both houses, and the knowledge that the President is in condition to make all necessary preparations without delay. Further reason for satisfaction is found in the belief that a policy has been inaugurated which will result in the final settlement of the irritating Cuban question.

While the hope is entertained that the unprecedented action of Congress and the display of resources by this Government will impress the Spanish Government, yet there is not much faith in the ability of Sagasta to control or resist Spanish public sentiment. It is expected that Spain will be compelled to choose between settling the Cuban question peaceably herself on the basis of independence, or having this Government recognize the inde pendence of the island without considering the course Spain may see fit to

The steps that will be taken will not be of a character to provoke Spain to war, though it is thought they will probably have that effect, and will certainly lead speedily to Cuban inde-

An evidence of the spirit with which the question of supporting the President was approached was furnished Tuesday by the action of Speaker Reed, Mr. Cannon, General Henderson and Mr. Dalzell, the Republican members of the Rules Committee and the chairman of Appropriations Committee, in leaving it to Mr. Savers, the Democratic leader on the Appropriations Committee, to fix the programme for the consideration of the defense bill. The same spirit was shown when Mr. Bailey, the Democratic leader, supported by every Democrat in the House, and the Populists, view with the Republicans in a display of patriotism. This was not the result of a momentary impulse, but was the formal entrance upon a policy of support of the President and submergence of party politics in this crisis which will continue until the close.

#### Cleveland Strike Over.

Cleveland, O., March 10.-After more than two months' hard fighting, the Globe Ship Yard strike has been settled. The battle is declared off and the men compelled to acknowledge a defeat, which may mean the disinte-gration of their local union. Between 400 and 500 hands were involved in the

#### \$100,000 Fire in Chicago.

Chicago, March 10 .- The three upper stories of the building at the southeast corner of Monroe and Market streets were gutted by fire last evening. The damage was about \$100,000 to the structure, and to the stocks of tenants, who were a number of small manufacturers of clothing and manufacturers' agents.

#### ASTOUNDING EVIDENCE

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Mrs. William W. Bloom, who lives at 7 Water street, Norwalk, says: "I have been troubled with catarrh in My head and throat for some time. My whole head was stuffed up; the pas-sages of my head and throat would at times become so filled with mucous that I could not talk, and altogether it was very annoying. I also suffered a great deal of the time with headaches. I got a bottle of California Catarrh Cure at Plaisted's drug store in South Norwalk, and I think it is the greatest tark. Plaisted's drug store in South Norwalk, and I think it is the greatest stuff in the world. It has cured me of all the disagreeable suffering I have had for so long;my throat troubles me no more, and I haven't had a headache for weeks. I have recommended it to several friends who have used it with satisfactory results, and we all unite in saying it is a wonderful medicine."

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#### HE LIVES IN A LOG HOUSE.

Rich Banker Who Will Not Desert His Old Home and Its Associations.

Pendleton, Ind., is noted for many historic incidents and landmarks, and also claims the distinction of having the only banker in the country who lives in a log house. His name is Morris Hardy, and he is known all over this section of the State among men of wealth and banking. He is the cashier in the Pendleton bank. He is one of the principle stockholders also, and is wealthy. He has never acquired any particular "swell head" since becoming rich and successful in banking, and every evening after his work at the bank is completed he retires to a common log house. It is by no means a shackle or broken-down affair. The furniture is up to date, and everythig about the place bears evidence that the occupant is by no means a miser or even close-fisted.

The old place has memories hanging around it which are dear to the banker, and he is content to let his patrons live in swell residences while he occupies the one made of logs. It was occupied by his father, Neal Hardy, and it was to this house that the late Frederick Douglass was smuggled when mobbed at Pendleton, when he first came into the north to plead for the liberty of his race. Within walls the noted man, then poor and an outcast, was nursed back to life, and when, in later years, his name was known the world around, he would come back to this little home and spend his time with the quaint old people.-Chicago Chronicle.

#### AN AFRICAN PRAIRIE DOG.

Much Like the Species Found on Our

The meekrat of South Africa bears a resemblance to the American prairiedog, but is more easily domesticated. It is a tiny little creature about as big as a rat, very intelligent and affectionate as a dog when tamed.

It barks and chatters and purrs, is an inveterate thief and spends much of its time standing upright. Its fur is gray, marked somewhat like a tabby cat, and it is wholly without fear. The dog is its favorite animal, and when tamed, the meekrat invariably attaches itself to the most good-natured dog in the house.

When wild, these little animals live in colonies as the prairie dogs, burrowing their homes underground, living on roots. They express supreme satisfaction by lying flat down and stretching themselves out so that they seem like a flat skin without any bones inside it.

The little creatures have black circles around their eyes, a stripe running underneath their bodies for its entire length and long, curving black claws on their little fore paws .- Golden Days.

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### AUXILIARY CRUISERS The Work of the Board of Inquiry is

Conference Between Sec'y Long and President Griscom.

#### ARRANGING THE TRANSFER

The American Line Officials Offer Not Only the Four Large Ships, but the Smaller Vessels of the Fleet to the

Washington, March 11 .- One of the most important conferences held by Secretary Long yesterday was with President Clement A. Griscom, of the American Line Steamship Company, and the owners of the steamers St. Paul, St. Louis, New York and Paris. Mr. Griscom was accompanied by his son, and the conference with the Secretary was in regard to the transforming the Atlantic liners into auxiliary

The intention is, if it becomes necessary, to press these vessels into the service under the power given the Government in the subsidy act, and attach them to the proposed flying squadron, which is about to rendezvous at Hampton Roads. The Secretary and Mr. Griscom discussed the situation in detail.

Mr. Griscom not only assured the Secretary that the four large vessels were at the disposal of the United States, as, under the law, they could be taken at any time, but also that the company was willing to place the smaller vessels of the fleet at the disposal of the Government any time either by sale or charter. These vessels do not come under the provisions of the subsidy law, but Mr. Griscom assured the Secretary that the company was ready at any time to turn them over to the Government.

It is understood here that the Navy Department considers the four large steamers of the International Steam Navigation Company now practically under its control, and has a naval of ficer ready to take command of each

at once. Orders have been issued at the Bureau of Navigation to put the monitor Miantonomah and the ram Katahdin into commission, following the officering of the Columbia and the Minneap-The first-named vessel will be ordered to Southern ports, to do the same work of protection that the Terror in New York and the Puritan at Hampton

Roads are doing. Secretary Long has received the reports from chiefs of bureaus and other naval officials as to work going on. He received a large number of cable reoorts from naval attaches at foreign egations in regard to the chances of ourchasing war vessels now being built n foreign ship yards. These reports showed that there were a large number of purchaseable vessels now being built at private yards, which could be secured at once. But the vessels in Government yards were not available. This information will be of great assistance to the Department, and no doubt a report will be prepared and cabled to Southampton to await Commander Brownson's arrival there.

#### OPENLY CHARGED BRIBERY.

Councilman in Philadelphia Says \$5,000 Was Offered to Him.

Philadelphia, March 11.-The rumors of lobbying in connection with the several bills before city councils for the transfer of the city water works to private corporations had their culmination in a direct charge of attempted bribery made by a member of the Common Council at a meeting of that surrender would be so sweeping as it is. body yesterday.

called for the consideration of the measure known as the Schuylkill Valley water bill. Shortly after it had been taken up Walter N. Stevenson, member from the Thirty-second Ward, declared that \$5,000 had been offered to him to vote for the bill. He further said that he was informed that mem-bers who were voting for the bill were getting from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for their votes. He asked that an immediate in-

vestigation be made. Other opponents to the bill followed with remarks corroborative of Stevenson's charges, and amid great excitement a motion was adopted, by a vote of 67 to 61, to definitely postpone the consideration of the bill. The special

session was then adjourned. The charges probably will result in a deathblow to the water bill. The bill provides for a transfer of the city's water works to the Schuylkill Valley Water Company for a period of fifty years, the city to pay the company \$1,-400,000 for its water supply.

#### Boy Victim of Chum Will Recover.

Lancaster, Pa., March 11.-William B. Davis, who was shot Wednesday at Millersville by his chum, Roy Gehrig, the latter then committing suicide, will probably recover. The bullet that entered his temple was located by the Xray. It took a downward course and lodged between the upper jaw and cheek bones. No effort will be made to remove it at present. Davis still maintains that they had no quarrel, but states that Gehrig frequently threatened to commit suicide and said if he did he would first kill Davis.

#### Farmer Murdered by a Tramp. Tamaqua, Pa., March 11.-Joseph Weaver, a farmer of Lisard, a village ten miles from here, was shot and killed yesterday by an unknown tramp. Weaver found the man sleeping in his barn and ordered him to leave. tramp fired two shots, one of which entered Weaver's heart. He died almost

instantly. The tramp escaped. To Promote General Miles.

Washington, March 11.-The Senate day decided to recommend the passage of the bill authorizing the revival of the grade of Lieutenant-General of the Army. The bill autorizes the President to nominate an officer for this grade The bill is in the interest of General Miles.

#### Fifteen Locomotives for Egypt.

Philadelphia, March 11.—The Baldwin Locomotive Works has booked an orfor fifteen locomotives for the Egyptian State Railway. They are to be heavy mogul freight engines, and will be obloped early in May.

#### AN OUTSIDE EXPLOSION.

Finished --- Cuban Colony Excited.

Key West, Fla., March 11 .- The work of the Board of Inquiry investigating he cause of the Maine disaster is finished. There will be a few more meetses, but no further evidence is expecti. except a few corroborative details at can only the more firmly estabsh the fact that the warship was down up from the outside.

With the evidence already in the ands of the Government at Washingon it is believed the finding of the board also has been forwarded there. This will be made public simultaneously with the announcement of the position of the Government in demanding that Cuba be set free.

News from Havana last night states that the divers, in searching for more circumstantial evidence of an external are having extraordinary difficulty in getting at the lower part of the wreck on account of the uplifting everything from keel to deck, showng the enormous force of the upward xplosion.

Uncompromising Spaniards there are posing in the streets and in the cafes, damering loudly for war against this

The surviving officers of the Maine now in Key West have received orders to go north by to-morrow, unless there is a sudden change in the programme. They are to be placed on active duty at once on warships fitting out for service. Several of them will be placed on the swift auxiliary cruisers of the American line in case they are called into commission.

Yesterday afternoon the expectant Cuban colony here was thrown into a fever of excitement by the report from Jacksonville that President McKinley had recognized the belligerent rights of th insurgents. In an hour all sources of information were besieged with inquiries. Telegrams were sent to the New York Junta and to Washington, but no answers were received up to late last night. Still, sympathizers stand around, hoping to organize a big demonstration should the news prove true.

#### BOUNDARY DISPUTE SETTLED.

Convention Arranged With British Government-Our Contention Upheld.

Ottawa, March 11.-Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Ambassador, has informed the Canadian Ministry officially that he has arranged a convention with the United States whereby the Alaskan boundary dispute has been set-

Under the terms of the convention the British Government has conceded the claim of the United States that the three marine leagues should be measured from the shape of the mainland, and should proceed along the shores of the inlets, which are thus recognized as arms of the ocean, and not as rivers.

The contention of the British and of the Canadian governments was that the three league limit should begin on the oceanward side of the island, and that the delimitating line should be run across the inlets, and not follow their shores. These inlets are numerous, and extend into the mainland a great distance, and the decision therefore is of much importance to the United States.

The United States has agreed to the British retaining the boundary on the limit of the Chilkoot Pass and the White Pass, because of the Russo-British agreement of 1825 the line of demarcation was fixed as one running along the tops of the mountains.

The decision, while not entirely unexpected by the Cabinet, is regarded with disfavor. It was understood that the British Government was irritated at the forwardness of the Canadian Ministry, but it was not thought that the

#### Washington, March 11.-After a de-

bate in the House which lasted more than five hours, the Senate amendment to the Indian Appropriation bill, providing for the free entry of ceded Indian lands, was yesterday non-con-curred in by a vote of 99 to 136. The friends of the free-home clause made a gallant struggle, but they met the opposition of some of the prominent leaders on the Republican side, Messrs. Dingley, Grosvenor, Dalzell and Payne, and they were further weakened by the fact that many of the friends of the proposition were alienated by the belief that, as drawn, the amendment would work injury to the agricultural colleges of the country.

McKisson to Contest Hanna's Election. Cleveland, March 11.-Mayor Robert E. McKisson, who was the anti-Hanna candidate before the Legislature for United States Senator, finally has decided to contest Mr. Hanna's right to be seated for the long term. McKisson says: "I have decided to contest Han-na's election for the long term. The fight that we put up against him at Columbus won't be a marker to the fight we will make in the Senate when his credentials for the long term are pre-

#### A Bishop's Son Elopes.

Middletown, Conn., March 11.-Police Officer John Inglis, of this place, is authority for the statement that Miss Ef-fie Inglis, his eighteen-year-old daughter, has eloped with R. H. Newton, of Richmond, Va., a sen of the late Bish-op Newton, of Virginia, and that the couple were married in Springfield, Mass., by the Rev. A. E. Fitch. Young Newton last year was a student at Bishop Williams' Berkely School, and it is stated that he severed his connection with that institution by request.

#### No Spanish Loan.

Paris, March 11.—Nothing is known here of a Spanish loan. The story that France intends financially to support Spain seems to be unfounded. France will lend no meney in the event of a Committee on Military Affairs yester. | Spanish-American war, or with such a possibility in sight, without the most perfect security, and it is said this Spain is unable to give.

#### Millions from the Klondide.

New York, March 11 .- Nearly \$1,000,-000 in gold from the Klondike has been received at the New York Postoffice Building during the past three days,

## SPAÍN AFTER ALLIES

Trying to Get the Support of Russia and France.

#### SHE CHANGES HER POLICY

Realizes the Grave Problem Which Confronts Her-Believes That England Would Side with the United States-Spain Purchases Three Steamers.

Madrid, March 11.-Political and financial circles here now fully realize that Spain is facing a grave problem In view of the attitude of the United States it is understood the Spanish Government has completely changed its policy toward Cuba and is now courting the co-operation of the Cuban constitutional party, urging the maintenance of the volunteers and the pushing of the campaign against the insurgents, thus giving the military policy predominance over diplomacy.

This change is due to the fear that, the radical autonomists insisted upon the disarmament of the volunteers or incited the constitutionalists to disaffection, a conflict would supervene, 'affording the United States an opportunity for armed intervention."

The presence in Madrid of the Spanish Ambassador to France, Senor Leon Castillo, has started rumors to the efect that Senor Gullon, the Spanish Minister for Foreign Affairs, is about to resign, and that he will be replaced Senor Castillo. But this is denied in official circles, where it is said the visit of Senor Castillo is connected with the Government's negotiations to obtain the support of France and Russia which is favored by all parties, including the Carlists and Republicans. as there is a general feeling that in the event of war the racial and commercial interests of Great Britain will impel her to side with the United States.

It is understood the first effect of the inderstanding with France will be that Spain will receive financial assistance, in order to avert her national bankruptcy.

#### SPAIN'S PURCHASES.

Has Purchased Three Coasting Steamers and is Looking for More.

Berlin, March 11 .- Senor Sandoval, the Spanish military agent in Germany, Austria and Scandinavia, has made three conditional purchases of coast-ing steamers at Flume and two at Polo He left yesterday for Stettin and Hamburg, to inspect a number of vessels offered.

The United States, so far, has made no purchases from among her options in Germany. Lieutenant Commander P. Niblack, the United States Naval Attache here and at Rome, has returned to the latter city.

#### WAR THOUGHT CERTAIN.

Manchester Guardian Says Uncle Sam Can Buy English Ships.

London, March 11 .- Despite the momentary abatement of the tension beween the United States and Spain, official circles in London take the gravest view of the situation, and the belief is prevalent, as gathered from inquiries at the highest sources on both sides, that, unless a solution of the Cuban difficulty is arrived at within six

weeks at the latest, war is inevitable. It is not expected that Spain will effect a settlement with the insurgents and the only alternative is the absolute surrender of the Madrid Government, which the Spanish public press will resist to the last moment.

The Manchester Guardian says: "The belief is strong in well-informed quarers that the United S ment is deliberately withholding the facts in regard to the destruction of the warship Maine, while quietly preparing

for the possibility of war in the spring." The Guardian also says it learns that the United States Government has received several offers of purchaseable ships in Great Britain, so that it is a mere matter of selecting the vessels which come nearest to the requirements of th authorities at Washington.

A Martin Juror Roughly Handled. Hazleton, Pa., March 11.-A. W. Washburn, one of the jurymen who sat on the trial of Sheriff Martin and his narrowly escaped deputies, roughly handled when he reached his home, at Freeland, yesterday. The verdict of acquittal has excited the wildest indignation in this vicinity. It has been intimated that Washburn was "influenced" in his views. When he stepped from the train a great crowd of angry people met him. They hooted violently. "Down with the corporation puppet! Hang him!" was heard on every side. Washburn's friends went to the rescue and escorted him to his home. They were followed by an angry crowd through the town. The police were kept busy trying to prevent the mob from closing in on the juror and his friends.

#### No Duty on Warships.

Washington, March 14 .- A letter from the Secretary of the Navy was read in Congress yesterday asking that a bill be passed admitting free of duty any ships that might be purchased by the United States Government, as well as all naval supplies. The Navy Department has received long cipher cablegrams from its naval attaches abroad regarding the purchase of ships and supplies now in Europe. They indicate that any quantity of desirable supplies may now be secured from private estabishments, but none from Government works. The Department has, how ever, determined that the enormous resources of this country will be ample to meet any demand for ammunition and similar emergency requisites.

#### Yukon Relief Parties.

Seattle, Wash., March 11.-Although the Government rel'ef expedition to the Yukon has been abandoned, another plan has been substituted which has the same destination in view and which will subserve the same purpose. The plan is to divide the herd of 537 reindeer now here into two parts. The greater number, 337, will leave here as soon as transportation arrangements can be perfected for Pyramid Harbor. The second expedition will leave here for Prince William Sound some time in May and will start for the interior of Alaska in June.

#### \$700,000 CLUB HOUSE.

The New York Athletic Club's New Club

to Be Opened. New York, March 11.-The opening of the new building of the new York Athlette Club is announced to take place to-morrow. This new clubhouse is the finest house of any athletic association in the country. The building, eight stories in height, is situated on the southeast corner of Fifty-ninth street and Sixth avenue, having a frontage on the Park of 120 feet, by 100 feet. The site cost \$260,000 when the club purchased it, in July, 1892. The cost of the building was originally estimated at \$500,000, but the contracts which have now been awarded show that the actual cost will be over \$700,000. The building is provided with the most modern appliances in ventilation, sanitation, and electricity, the best experts in these departments having been employed.

The first story is of light red stone, simple except over the main entrance, where the carving of the panels are elaborate. The basement contains six bowling alieys, with a gallery for spectators, Turkish baths, with a separate plunge, a swimming tank twenty-five feet by seventy-five feet, bathrooms,



NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB

barber shop, and other accommoda-The main hall is thirty-eight feet wide, extending through the centre of the building. This floor will be occupied by a library, cloak room and the offices. The Fifty-eight street entrance will provide a runway for bicycles, and space for 750 wheels, as well as cleaning and repairing rooms. A grand staircase of marble and bronze runs from the main floor to the roof, and three large elevators will be kept run-ning all the day. The billiard, smoking and lounging rooms are on the second floor, and the next floor contains twenty-seven sleeping rooms and ten par-

The fourth and fifth stories are devoted principally to a huge gymnasium, 116 feet by 58 feet, a running bath, boxing and fencing rooms, and all other requirements of physical devel-The large dining room is on the seventh floor. Private dining rooms and the culinary department are situated on the floor above this. The roof will be fixed up into a Summer roof garden, where vaudeville entertainments will be given during the Summer season.

Many prominent men of the country will attend the opening exercises and take part in the ceremony.

#### RUSSIA IS AGGRESSIVE.

Ukase Orders 90,000,000 Roubles Spent for Warships.

St. Petersburg, March 11.-An imperial ukase has been issued ordering the expenditure of 90,000,000 roubles in extraordinary expenditure for the construction of war ships. No loan will be raised to provide the funds.

The issuance of an imperial ukase ordering the extraordinary expenditure of 90,000,000 rubles for the construction of Rusian warships mark great stride in preparation for war this

This, together with the American and British votes of money for purposes of defense, means that three Powers have assigned the aggregate sum of \$240,000,-000 for naval armaments since Mon-

The vital importance of Liao-Tong and Tanlien-Wan from the point of view of Russia's interests, is shown in the text of the Chassini convention, which contains this clause: "China, on her part, binds herself never to cede them (Liao-Tong and Talien-Wan) to another country, but if the future exigencies of the case should require it and Russia should find herself suddenly involved in war, China consents to allow Russia to temporarily concentrate her land and naval forces within said ports in order to betters enable Russia to attack the enemy or guard her own interests."

#### 2,000 SEAMEN WANTED.

To Enlist Enough Men for All Warships, Including Auxiliaries.

Washington, March 11 .- At the direction of the Secretary of the Navy a board of naval officers has been anpointed to start at once on a tour of the country to secure the enlistment of enough sailors to man all the ships of the navy, including the auxiliary criusers, in order that all may be put into commission at once if necessary.

The board will consist of Commander Hawley, Civil Engineer Webster and Surgeon Person. They will be accompanied by a mate.

The board will leave Washington today and will visit all recruiting stations and make unlimited enlistments of seamen and machinists.

New Orleans will be first visited,

then Galveston, then St. Louis and other Mississsipp! River ports. Cleveland, Savanah and Charleston will also be visited, and the board will not return to Washington until they have

The navy is particularly in need of machinists. The pay of the men and the expenses of the board will come out of the \$50,000,000 Emergency Fund

#### \$75,000,000 to Spare.

Washingon, March 11 .-- According to Secretary Gage the Treasury is in good condition to meet the \$50,000,000 appropriation for national defense, and it would be possible pay out \$25,000,000 ir addition without seriously affecting the available cash balance. He estimates that \$75,000,000 can be spared from the Treasury to meet appropriations by Congress, and that not until that amount is exhausted will special prov vision need to be made to provide money for war expenses.

consigned to banks in this city. The gold arrived in bass, holding from \$1,-090 to \$10,000 each. It was carried from the trains to the postoffice in ordinary mail wagens, accompanied by a guard

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#### Shipbuilding.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie, who knows a thing or two about the business, publishes a somewhat interesting letter in the current issue of an iron trade paper, arguing in favor of the establishment of a great shipbuilding yard at the port of New York. Mr. Carnegie coints out, among other things, that the steel plates used in constructing modern ships can be delivered in New York for \$7 or \$8 a ton less than they cost at the ship yards of Great Britain and Germany. He declares that the woodwork used in such vessels would also be correspondingly cheaper here than it is abroad, and he argues that if a great ship yard were established on the waters adjacent to New York and fitted with modern appliances the total cost of its operations, even at much higher wage rates, would be less than that of any similar concern in England or Germany.

#### **Diversions of Scare-Crow Journals**

One of the diversions of scare-crow journals is to gather the opinions of all kinds of people, whose opinions are asually of no consequence, on subjects that they know nothing about. Having exhausted all possible theories of the cause of the Maine disaster, they have now advanced to interviews upon the conduct of the war and are printing pages of guesses as to what will happen in case something else should happen.

Among others number of Senators have been interviewed upon the probable course of the United States towards Spain. Strange to say, quite a number of Senators take the bate right under and proceed to tell how loyal they will he and how they will stand by the President in an emergency. The country will not feel any more confidence in the Senatorial judgment for these professions. It should be able to take that much for granted, and it will not escape notice that the Senators who usually keep their heads most level are the ones that say the least.

#### Not a Cause for War.

The dismissal of Consul General Lee rom Havana by the Spanish government might not mean war. This dismissal has not yet been made and perhaps may not be. Spain has an undoubted right to say she does not wish him to remain at Havana, says the Hartford Post. She has already ma known her feelings to that effect President McKinley's prompt refusa to recall our efficient consul does him renewed credit. To have acceded to this demand would be unfortunate in 'this contingency. It would have seem ed to stamp the consul general with incompetency and if even that appearance were not to be avoided there is not yet sufficient information as to the consul general's offense. The bill of specifications is not at hand. "I shall continue to do my duty," are the prompt words of the consul general in response to a questioner to-day.

The demand of Spain that food supplies be sent to reconcentrados in vessels other than those devoted to purposes of war may not be good in international law but it was to be expected under the circumstances. Two warships visiting the coast of a power at which we are at peace would ordinaribe harmless but in the present condition of affairs between this country and Spain it might possibly be au entering wedge for something important stratgetically-if for instance war was to be declared soon, which fortunately s not looked for. We say Spain has perhaps no legal right to object and that her objection adds to the certainty that she thinks she must do something to appease the people of the kingdom, but the demand is, under the circumstances, reasonable.

The real intent of this objection is we think to be found in the desire of Spain to let the reconcentrados alone. They are being starved. The supplies recently sent to Cuba have so far got no farther than Havana." That was the only port open to them. Once there they could not be distributed to the interior, for the Spanish authorisies have no railway cars to use for the purpose and the country is not very safe for Spanish trains. The insurgents have enough food but added supplies would not be undesirable and some of them while being thus distributed might fall into their hands.

It was to assist in getting these supplies to the starving people at the more easterly ports of the island that we sought and obtained permission to take cargoes directly to such ports. At this late date just as the suffering people were to be reached effectively Spain has discovered that the method of sending the relief is all wrong. If the warships were loaded we think they would go. As they are not the Fern has been selected instead and will start in a few days. The only thing to do is to get the supplies to the reconcentrados as soon as possible. In the light of delay this appeal of Spain comes with no very good grade.

There is nothing in the situation, however, that means war. The country has kept its head and will continue to keep it, guided by the skillful patriot and diplomatist now in the White House. Incidents like these now interesting the public show that gradually Cuba is drifting away from Spain, and earning the sympathy of the civilized world. The Sagasta ministry has a difficult task indeed. In order to keep peace at home, the demands just made by it are probably necessary. But having been made, this will probably bethe last of them. We must not believe that Spain is eager to try its powers with those of a nation many times its

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from the date hereof for the Creditors of said
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properly attested, within said time, will be debarred a recovery. All persons indebted to
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Loans upon Real Estate, first lien, - - - - Loans upon Stocks and \$33,045,673.68 Premium Notes on Poliicies in force, - - -Cost of Real Est. owned 983,315.72 by the Company, 9,840,914.84 Cost of Bonds, 15,924,674.25 Cost of Banks and Railroad Stocks. 473,504.16

Cash in Banks. 1,135,965.53 Bills receivable, 4,619.17 \$61,410,967.35 Less Agents' Credit Bals.. 2,416.97

\$61,408,550.38 Interest due and accrued, \$1,029.649.71 Rents due and accrued, 15,962 49 Market value of stocks and bonds over cost. 771,770,27 Net uncollected and de-

362.728.13 ferred premiums, \$2,180,110.60

LIABILITIES: Amount required to re-insure all outstanding, Policies, net, Company's

GROSS ASSETS, Dec. 31'97, \$63,588,660.98

- \$54,924,070.00 - 1,303,654.97 standard. All other liabilities, \$56,227,724.97

SURPLUS, - - - - \$7,360,936.01

Ratio of expenses of management to receipts in 1897, 10.68 per cent. Policies in force. Dec.31, 1897, 66,705 Insuring, \$157,701,387.00

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# THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.

OF NEW YORK.

RICHARD A. McCURDY,

# Statement for the Year Ending Dec. 31,'97.

According to the Standard of the Insurance Department of the State of New York.

#### INCOME.

Received for Premiums \$42,693,201 99 11,469,406 24 From all other Sources \$54,162,608 23

To Policy=holders for Claims by Death \$13,279,630 66 To Policy=holders for Endowments, Dividends, etc. 12,712,424 76 For all other Accounts 10,132,005 57 \$36,124,060 99

#### assets.

\$132,017,341 45 United States Bonds and other Securities First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage 69,423,937 31 Loans on Stocks and Bonds 12,880,308 00 21,618,454 88 Real Estate Cash in Banks and Trust Companies 11,705,195 82 Accrued Interest, Net Deferred Premiums, etc. 6,141,200 20 \$253,783,437 66 218,278,243 07 Reserve for Policies and other Liabilities \$35,508,194 59 \$936,634,496 63 Insurance and Annuities in Force

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct; liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department. CHARLES A. PRELLER, Auditor.

From the Surplus a dividend will be apportioned as usual

### Report of the Examining Committee.

Office of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York.

To the Honorable, The Board of Trustees of

THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by your honorable body, on the twentysecond day of December, 1897, to examine the Annual Statement of the Company and to verify the same, respectfully-

#### REPORT

That, pursuant to the power and authority thereby conferred, the Committee have, at various dates between the date of the said reference and the date of this Report, attended at the office of the Company, and have been waited on by the Treasurer, the Comptroller, the Auditor, and the Cashier, together with the respective assistants of such officers, and have carefully gone over all the items contained in the said Statement, and have found the same to be correct. They have examined and counted every certificate of stock, bond and other obligation held by the Company, and compared the prices at which the same are carried in said Statement with the market quotations, and find the same not exceeding such quotations-in fact, in many cases below them. They have examined and counted the bonds and mortgages on real property held by the Company, and find the same to be as stated. They have also verified the valuation of the Company's holdings of real estate and have verified the deposits of money in the various banks and trust companies, and have counted the cash on hand held by the Cashier.

And the Committee certify that all the books, papers, documents, and evidence of title of every description necessary in such examination have been freely submitted to the Committee by the said officers and their assistants, and that

the same are accurate, in good order, and well kept.

And the Committee further certify that the investments of the Company are of a high order, and that the system and methods adopted by the Company in recording its transactions and caring for the assets are entitled to commendation. All of which is respectfully submitted. CHAS. R. HENDERSON ELBRIDGE T. GERRY A. N. WATERHOUSE NEW YORK, January 21, 1898. S. V. R. CRUGER

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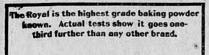
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#### LOCAL AND OTHER NEWS.

Ethel Ezekiel is ill at her home on Kellogg street with pneumonia.

The commissioners upon the insolvent estate of J. A. Pinneo hold their first meeting on March 19.

—Several thousand rolls of ceiling paper, 5c per double roll at J. T. Prowitt's.

A lesson in French will be given at the Central club this afternoon.

Mrs. John L. Richards Jr., of South Norwalk, has been visiting in Newark,

There was a large attendance at the East Norwalk school entertainment last night, and the audience was highly entertained with the programme of

-Have you seen the Pennant wheel at J. T. Prowitt's? only \$40.

A dense fog settled over the harbor this morning and made navigation by sailing craft somewhat perilous.

Miss Charlotte Temple, of Henry street, East Norwalk was given a surprise Wednesday night by the members of her Sunday school class. About thirty young people were present, and the evening was passed in a most pleasant manner.

Special Sale of Children's Bicycles at J. T. Prowitt's.

There will be a batallion drill of Co.'s D and F at the Armory, Tuesday night.

Charles Sanborn will remove from Harbor avenue to Bridgeport.

Fred L. Northrop, of Norwalk, a member of the tribe of Red Men of that city is ill at the home of his parents in King street .- Danbury News.

—Another carload of those 10c papers just rec'd. at J. T. Prowitt's.

The Central Union, K. D., will meet in the Congregational chapel to-morrow, at 3:45 p. m. The Ministering Circle. K. D., at 3 p. m. in the pastor's study.

The Richardson & Morgan company will start up again on Monday.

-Rambler Bicycle. Finest wheel in the market, only \$60. J. T. Prowitt.

From March 15th to October 1st, all the jewelry stores in Norwalk will be closed at 6:30 p. m., excepting Mondays and Saturdays.

The dance given under the auspices of Pioneer Castle K. of M. C. takes place this evening.

-Sweeping reduction in prices of Wall Paper at J. T. Prowitt's during March.

Fred C. Mac Clean of New York is visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. Stabell of South Norwalk has gone to Lyon's Plains to care for her mother Mrs. PGodhardt who is very ill.

-Prof. M. S. Losen, the well-known eculist optician, can be consulted at his
effice in the parlors of the Mahackemo Hotel, South Norwalk, Tuesday from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. Eyes examined free.

A telephone has been placed in Fred Rogers' store on Main street.

Chauncey Green died at his home on Center avenue, yesterday. His remains will probably be taken to Cross River for interment.

-Sleighs new and second hand. For sale and to rent. Luther M. Wright. F. 1 tf

#### THORNS TO SIT UPON.

Many people gather thorns by failing to heed the warning sent out by diseased kidneys—coated tongue—parched skin
—feverishness—dull dragging pain—
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evidence of kidney and bladder trouble.
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Turners' Little Liver Turners—A very mall pill. Turns your liver. A true axative. An after dinner pill.

#### Darien.

Dudley Tilley's valuable New Foundland dog is still among the missing. The tax collector is now the worst

shunned man in town. Miss Sophia Bell of Noroton hill is slowly recovering from the effects of

injuries which she sustained in a trolley car accident a few weeks ago.

Fred Smith is steadily increasing his GAZETTE route.

Charles Weed from whose barn a horse and wagon were recently stolen, has received word from officers in the eastern part of the State that they are on the track of the thief and the stolen

Undertakers may come and undertakers may go, but the old reliable Burchard will always be found ready for business at the old stand.

At the Congregational church Sun day morning, the pastor took for his text, "Union with Christ" and preached a most interesting sermon. In the evening there was a gospel meeting.

R. H. Rowan, of South Norwalk, paid Darien a business visit on Satur-

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bates and daughter were visiting relatives in town on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Howard, have retured from their wedding tour, and the Darien Drum corps are, considering the guests, thinking of giving them

Mrs. Annie Buttery of Noroton avenue is seriously ill and her recovery is doubtful.

Mrs. Roden who occupied the house lately purchased by Hanford Smith from Mrs. Harry Hindley, has been dispossessed.

Willie Flemming entertained the Royal Social club last Friday evening, and an enjoyable time was had.

A couple of Norwalk wheelmen, who set out to ride to Stamford Sunday, came to grief while passing through Noroton. One of them collided with a wagon and wrecked his wheel, while the other broke his handle bar and punctured a tire so badly that the wheel was useless. The trolley, however, helped the young men out.

Fred Lindergren has taken the agency in Darien for the Manhatten Dye and Cleaning Works, of Stamford, and is meeting with good encourage

Charles H. Seeley, son of Holly H. Seeley, was arrested Tuesday, by Deputy Sheriff Lyon, on two writs, one issued in favor of John Trimble, and claiming \$250 damages for assaults alleged to have been committed several times within the past year. It is said that Seeley has repeatedly assaulted Trimble, and that one day in last February he fired the contents of a shot gun at Trimble. The other writ is in favor of Annie Trimble, the wife of John Trimble, for batteries alleged to have been committed on her by Seeley. She asks \$150 damages. Seeley furnished bonds of \$800 for his appearance in the Norwalk Town Court on Monday, the 21st inst.

#### Farther Lights.

The Farther Lights of the Baptist church, South Norwalk, held a meeting last night. Miss Lizzie Hyatt of Boston, made an address. Miss Hyatt has a pleasing personality and is a bright speaker. A number of Baptists from Norwalk were present.

#### For the Relief of Cuba

A mass meeting is to be held next Sunday evening, in Music Hall, South Norwalk, in behalf of the relief fund for the starving sufferers in Cuba. The Baptist, Catholic, Methodist, and Congregational chuches will all unite in this meeting. General Russell Frost will preside, and there will be brief addresses by Rev. R. O. Sherwood Rev. A. S. Kavanagh, Rev. John T. Winters and Rev. Gerald . H. Beard.

A six year old daughter of Gosma Scappelo died last night at her home on Chapel street.

#### HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys, When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

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#### Rev. Charles E. Benedict of Bayside, L. I., formerly of East Norwalk and Miss Edith Pegg, daughter of Rev. C. M. Pegg of Port Washington formerly of the East Avenue church will be

The First M. E. church are arranging to have the Wesleyan Glee club come to Norwalk to give an entertain-

married next Wednesday at the bride's

Miss Mary Clark will entertain her Sunday school class next Wednesday evening at her home on Taylor avenue.

Thomas McMullen has purchased the place on the Step Rock road owned by Sarah Fagan.

Mrs. Ann Buttery is critically ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Stevens in East Norwalk;

An order has been placed with the Crofut & Knapp hat company for the hats to be worn by the police of New York ity. The order is a large one.

-Every lady should look at J. T. Prowitt's \$50-Stormer before buying.

A little child of Officer Walter Hall is on the sick list.

Mr. Arthur S. Ferris expects the arrival home on Saturday, of members of his family who went to visit relatives some six weeks ago, and were precluded from returning by reason of a quarantine for scarlet fever. It will be a family reunion fraught with happiness to all.

The state Sunday school association will conduct services in the Norwalk Methodist church next Sunday afternoon and evening. An elaborate program has been prepared and the Congregational churches will unite in the

The Board of Relief of the South Norwalk Union school district will meet next Monday evening.

Stainer's Crucifixion will be sung by Grace church choir Sunday evening.

Thirty of the young men and women of St. Joseph's parish met in Music Hall, Tuesday night, and decided to give a ball Easter Monday.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Hospital directors will be held Monday evening next.

R. F. Adams has leased the Jacob Turk place on Camp street.

Alice Pierce and Verna Wheeler of East Norwalk are confined to their homes with the mumps.

Miss Jane Stillson of Brooklyn, is visiting friends in town.

Gould Seymour has returned from an extended visit in New York. Mrs. Hannah Hill of West avenue, is

very seriously ill. Percy Baker has been engaged by he South Norwalk Baptist church as

bass soloist for the "musical" year commencing May 1st. Mrs. James C. Crowe will entertain her Sunday school class and their

friends at her residence Wednesday evening, March 23. John A. Camp went to Westport yesterday and caught a fine mess of smelt.

and he proposes going again to-day and doubling the catch.

Eben Gilbert of Chestnut Hill is negotiating for the sale of his big farm to New York parties. In case the sale is consummated it is understood that Mr. Gilbert will purchase a farm of less acreage.

Many stories could be told of the alertness which Senators display in securing well-placed desks, but the experience of Mr. Vest is especially worth relating. When, in 1883, the civil service law was being discussed, Mr. Pendleton, an Ohio Democrat, and Mr. Dawes had presented bills. By a shrewd bit of politics the Republicans abandoned their support of the Dawes bill and voted for Mr. Pendleton's measure, their votes, together with the votes of the Democrats favorable to the measure, being sufficient to pass it. As the bill was about to be voted on. Mr. Cockrell moved that its title be changed so as to read: "A bill to retain Republicans in office." As soon as it passed Mr. Vest filed a claim for Mr. Pendleton's seat. "The author of such a bill," said he, "will never come back to the Senate."

Mr. Vest was right, and at the beginning of the next Congress he moved into Mr. Pendleton's vacant chair .-



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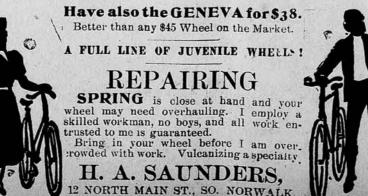
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Annual Jan. and Feb. Sale of up-to-date Shoes!

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Winter Tan, Bulldog Toe, at \$2.48. Bulldog Toe, Lace and Button worth Enamel with Double Sole, at \$2.48.

Box Calf, Bulldog Toe, at \$2.48. Patent Leather, Double Sole, Bull dog Toe, 2.48.

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\$4 and \$5,all go in this Sale at \$1.98 100 prs. Misses Shoes, worth \$1.25

and \$150 at 89c a pair. 200 prs Ladies' Shoes, worth\$1.50 We have also made Sweeping all sizes, and the latest Toe Shapes,

Reductions in all our stock of Ladies' at 98c a pair. We have given away the Gold and Ladies Fine Calf Shoes, Lace and now we propose to offer you the Button, Ladies' Fine Box Calf, Lace greatest bargain sale of shoes for the

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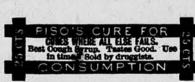
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## RUN TO EARTH AT LAST.

BROCKHAUS, ONE OF THE LAMBERT MURDERERS, CAP-TURED IN CHICAGO AND SHERIFF LYON GONE AFTER HIM.

#### BEN WILLIS IS STILL FREE.

THE PRISONER SAID TO HAVE MADE A CONFESSION ACCUSING WILLIS OF DOING THE SHOOTING.

Wilton, by burglars who entered his residence in that town Dec. 17, 1897, is a crime still fresh in the mind of people of the town and in fact of the whole state. There were two men suspected of the crime and one of them was named Ben. Willis, who had at one time been a pupil at Mr. Lambert's

and murderers, after committing the it was followed, would be a prelimincrime, took Mr. Lambert's team and ary hearing before a Wilton justice on drove to the South Norwalk depot a charge of murder, after which the where they abandoned it, but from that | prisoner could be beld for the higher point, all trace of the two appears to court. The grand jury might then have been lost so far as any publicity indict him for murder and a trial could concerning it went. If the officers of proceed. But a preliminary hearing the law had any clue they kept it to

Wednesday fternoon a despatch from Chicago was received which said that Fred M. Brockhaus, wanted in Wilton for the murder of David Lambert at that place, is under arrest there. It is charged that last December Brockhaus and Ben Willis, a former pupil of Lambert, entered Lambert's residence for the purpose of robbery and meeting | dence of and it is likely that Brockhaus is also supposed to be in Chicago.

The Connecticut officials have been notified of Brockhaus' capture. Willis was traced to Chicago with Brockhaus but has not been found, and it is be. lieved he has gone to New York.

Brockhaus does not deny that he and Willis are the ones who robbed the Lambert house and killed its owner. The killing, however, Brockhaus charges to Willis, saying that he (Brockhaus) took part only in the robbery. From Wilton they went to New York, where a short stay was made. Then over to Newark, to Philadelphia and thence to Washington. They were next traced to Richmond, Va. From there the men, closely followed by officers, went to Cincinnati, Ohio, and finally came to Chicago. After three weeks' search the Chicago police located Brockhaus and arrested him.

Brockhaus claims to belong in New York city, but previous to the crime for which he was under arrest he was roaming about this state and it is believed that a number of robberies in Fairfield county can be traced to him. It is also thought that since the Wilton erime, he has been plying his nefarious art through the country where he says he has been traveling.

Brockhaus was traced to his brother's house at 111 Melrose street, Chieago, and was eating supper Tuesday night when the detectives entered. He was completely surprised and surrendered without making any show of

When Brockhaus' room was searched in his brother's house there was found under the pillow of his bed two large revolvers and a belt filled with cartridges. Brockhaus has another brother in Chicago who is a waiter in a res-

The prisoner looks much the worse for his long tramp over the country and shows the effects of exposure. He had, at the time of his arrest, secured a situation as a waiter in a Chicago restaurant and was to have entered upon the duties of the position to-mor-

If Brockhaus' story is true, he is equally guilty with the party who did

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The murder of David S.R. Lambert of j the shooting, according to the law which holds that when a murder is committed when burglary is being perpetrated, those who are participants in the burglary, even though taking no part in the killing, are as guilty as

Whether or not Brockhaus will be brought before the present term of the superior court cannot yet be stated It was known that the two robbers | for a certainty. The usual method, if would be vacated by the issuance of a bench warrant, if a speedy trial was desired by the state.

It is hardly possible, however, that there will be a speedy trial of the case, as Brockhaus denies that he did the shooting. True, on his own confession he might be convicted, but there are other features of the case which the authorities desire to complete the eviwith resistance, killed Lambert. Willis will be held for another term of the superior court.

> When Sheriff Hawley was notified of the capture of Brockhaus, he sent for Deputy Sheriff Lyon, of South Norwalk, and that official started for Chicago last night to bring the prisoner back to this state.

Prior to leaving for the west Sheriff Lyon went to Hartford and secured the necessary requisition papers.

#### Lively Eggs.

Yesterday afternoon a thrifty Nork woman purchased a dozen eggs o the surance of the "farmer" who sold them, that they were fresh. She placed them in a basket in the buttery intending to cook them for breakfast this morning. On going to the buttery to get the eggs she was not a little bit surprised to find that six of them had hatched out that number of lively little chicks. The remaining six were found intact, but no attempt was made to cook them, and eggs were not a part of the breakfast fare, oatmeal being substituted.

#### M. E. Church Choir.

The Norwalk Methodist church has engaged the following singers for the choir from May 1st: Sopranos, Mrs. Imogene Ross, Miss Hattie Punzelt; contraltos, Mrs. A. S. Gibson, Miss Annie Staub; Bassos, Mr. Wm. L. Warren, Mr. E. H. Morehouse; tenors, Mr. C. W. Hoyt, Mr. H. P. Price; organist, Mr. C. G. Ives. Mr. H. P. Price will continue as director.

#### New Paster.

Rev. Mr. Fisher of Danbury has been secured as pastor of St. Peter's church, South Norwalk. Mr. Fisher enjoys the reputation of being a clergyman whose services will prove of benefit to any church over which he might have

#### Senator Lake Resigns.

Senator Thomas A. Lake, who has been appointed collector of customs, has resigned his seat in the state Senate and his resignation has been accepted by Governor Cooke.

#### To Meet in Stamford.

The executive committee of the State Firemen's association have decided to hold their next state convention in Stamford in May. The exact dates have not yet been fixed.

#### New Lieutenant.

The adjutant- general has appointed First Sergeant Cyrus E. Ryder of Dan bury to be second lieutenant of Company G, Fourth Regiment, C. N. G., vice Nichols, resigned.

Mrs. W. S. Crofut of New Haven, who has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. James Golden has returned home.

#### Superintendent Hoyt Meets With an Experience While Winding the Fire Alarm Bell.

Every Wednesday at noon, Superintendent John H. Hoyt of the fire alarm system, tests one of the several boxes by sending in an alarm on the big bell, to ascertain whether everything is in working order.

This Wednesday, however, when John pulled a box, the fire bell refused to sound an alarm, indicating that something was wrong.

Thinking perhaps that the bell needed winding up, John went to the Town House and climbed up the rickety ladder into the bell tower.

Grasping the large crank he proceeded to wind the mechanism. Suddenly he heard something fall upon the floor over his head and at the same time he became conscious that he was holding by the crank, the 2000 pounds of iron which operates the striking ap-

He could not release his hold on the crank and allow the enormous weight to fall and smash the mechanism of the striking apparatus, nor could he bear the strain for any length of time.

Clinging to the crank arm for dear life, he thrust his head out of the little tower window, to look for some one to come to his assistance and saw Clarence Cram passing on the sidewalk. He hastily called to Clarence, and as soon as the superintendent could make him self understood young Cram ran into the Town House and climbed the ladder to his assistance.

Luckily the weights were within reach and Cram soon removed them, allowing John to release his grasp on the crank and take a long breath.

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Administration Not Likely to Put Us Under Obligations to the British, Although Their Moral Support is Expected in War with Spain.

Washington, March 11.-President McKinley said yesterday: "There is no significance in the visit of the British Ambassador."

This utterance was made in answer to the story published in certain papers that when Sir Julian called at the White House on Tuesday it was to convey a message from the Queen expressing her desire that war with Spain be avoided, and to point out that the commercial relations of Great Britain with the United States were too extensive to be jeopardized by a war between this country and Spain. Assistant Secretary Day has already officially denied that the visit was for any such purpose, and even Sir Julian, who has not allowed himself to be quoted in the newspa-pers for three years, authorizes the statement over his name that the Cuban question was not discussed while he was with the President.

It is somewhat strange that a visit of the Ambassador to the President should give rise to so much speculation, because it is not an unusual thing in diplomatic procedure for an Ambassa-dor to call upon the President. An Ambassador is the personal representative of his sovereign or President, and as such he can call in person upon the chief executive of the country to which he is accredited.

There is no doubt that in this case the wish was father to the thought, and that England would undoubtedly be pleased to have the impression get abroad, especially in Europe, that an alliance has been made between Great Britain and the United States. In fact, in this instance, the first suggestion of such a thing came by cable from London Wednesday night to a correspondent of a London paper, and on this information was based the story published. One can readily see the great advantage to be gained by Great Britain in having this impression get abroad on the Coninent, especially in view of the Eastern situation.

As a State Department official said yesterday, the United States was not going to place herself in the position of being under any obligations to England at this time, especially as the latter's aid was not necessary. We could easily handle Spain ourselves, and to accept assistance from England would only make it obligatory for us to aid England in the event of trouble over the Chinese situation, which now seems sure to come.

From this it will be seen that England is pleased that the impression should get abroad at this time that she offered assistance to the United States. There is every reason to believe, that, if war should come, the United States would have the sympathy of Great Britain and her moral support, and that, if she should interfere in any way before hostilities, her interference would be in the direction of bringing about such a settlement of the Cuban controversy as the United States is seeking.

It is also believed that should the President recognize the independence of Cubans, England would follow suit, and thus notify Spain that she could receive no sympathy or aid from the British. This much of friendly co-operation between Great Britain and the United States is anticipated close alliance of a formal character is regarded as a thing of the remote future. The mutual interest of the two governments in preserving the integrity of China and the need of Great Britain for the moral, if not the active support of the United States in her contention with the rest of Europe over the Eastern question, is expected naturally to dispose Great Britain to assume a most cordial and sympathetic attitude toward the United States in

the present emergency. British commerce would undoubtedly suffer somewhat from war between the United States and Spain. But it is not believed that it would suffer nearly as much as has the American commerce on account of the Cubar war. There is no probability, it is thought, of Spain being able, in the event of war, to blockade any of the principal American ports, and, of course, the war vessels of neither Spain nor the United States would interfere on the high seas or in ports, in the absence of a blockade, with the vessels

carrying the British flag. At all events, if war were forced upon this Government by the act of Spain, it is not regarded as at all probable that we will be deterred from the defense of our dignity and our rights by the consideration of a consequent temporary inconvenience to Great Britain, or that Great Britain expects or desires such a thing. It is felt to be a matter of congratulation by lead. ing men in Congress, as well as those in official life, that there exists between Great Britain and the United States a cordiality of sentiment and community of interests far beyond the ordinary comity of nations. The attitude of Great Britain with respect to our relations with Spain is expected to be such as to contribute, as far as any foreign influence can, toward checking Spain in any course which would compel the United States to go to war.

#### Says McCoy's Claim is a Farce.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 11.-Mike Connelly, Peter Maher's manager, says: "Kid McCoy's claim to the heavyweight championship is a farce. He told me in a personal interview that he was afraid of Maher. He said: 'I am challenging champions, but fighting suckers.' Our \$5,000 forfeit is still in the hands of Sam Austin for any man in the world to cover, and until McCoy fights a topnotcher his claim is ridiculous. Maher has whipped both mer McCoy is after now."

Sharkey Big Favorite. San Francisco, March 11.-The odd: in the Choynski-Sharkey fight, which takes place to-night, are beginning to lengthen. Sharkey is the favorite at Both men are in fine form and express confidence in their ability to dry docks and armor.

TRUST THE PRESIDENT.

Over the Country.

Washington, March 11.-One of the most gratifying things to the President in the events of the last few days is the spontaneous outpouring of telegrams and letters of congratulation now coming to him commending him for his prudent and wise course under the trying circumstances of the last month. All these messages express the great confidence felt all over the country in the course now being pursued by the President, and express reliance in his ability and wisdom as to future events.

The vote of confidence given by Congress in placing such a vast amount of money in the President's hands, is unprecedented in this country. It gives the President absolute control over the appropriation, and places implicit trust in his ability and wisdom in disbursing it, for not a single conditon is imposed upon him, and he is left free of all ob-

ligations in dispensing the millions.

This is all the more significant, because it is realized in Washington that now the explosion of the Maine is but an incident in the great question behind it, the future of the island of Cuba. The developments of the last few days show that the President is President in reality, and that Congress realizes this and is willing to follow him in his policy in the Cuban question as it did in the present crisis. The President's course throughout has been his own, despite the various assertions that he has been influenced by this interest or that. His masterful handling of Congress, and its unanimous action in sustaining him and his policy, has shown this, for it has brought a feeling of relief and confidence to the people that the President is right, and that now the country is prepared for any emergency.

The assurance that the nation is ready for any crisis, will make the President's course in the future much easier, for no matter what the Court of Inquiry reports or how the report is received by Congress, the Administration knows that its policy has the indorsement of Congress and that when it is ready to act on the question of Cuba's future the country will be be-hind the President, and as ready to support his policy in this regard as it was to support the determination to be prepared for trouble.

The fact that the Court of Inquiry is finishing its work at Havana, and within a week, shows that the President was wise in taking the precau-tionary steps he did at once. It is the opinion here that developments will come swiftly, and the entire Cuban matter will be settled before many weeks have passed. The President does not mean to rush things or act hastily, but it is evident that a settlement of the question must be had at once.

#### NO RUSSIAN ULTIMATUM.

So Says the Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office.

London, March 11.-Answering question in the House of Commons yesterday on the subject, Mr. George N. Curzon, the Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office, said Russia had not sent an ultimatum to China with reference to Port Arthur and Ta-Lien-

Mr. Curzon also announced that the British Ambassador at St. Petersburg had confirmed the report that Russia was negotiating for the lease of Port Arthur and Ta-Lien-Wan, for the same period and under the same conditions as granted to Germany in the case of Kiao-Chou, and that Russia was also negotiating for the right to construct a railroad from Petuna, on the Trans-Manchurian line, to Kwang-Chung-Tzu, Mukden and Port Arthur; but, Mr. Curzon explained, Russia did not demand sovereign rights, nor has she threatened to move troops into Manchuria in the event of China's non-compliance with her demands.

Mr. Curzon also denied that Russia and France had protested against the Anglo-German loan to China.

#### UNION OF WIRE INTERESTS.

Iron Trade Review Says Original Scheme Is Dead.

Cleveland, March 11.-The Iron Trade Review to-day says: "Everything is off in the proposed consolidation of the wire and wire-rod interests of the country. This statement might be qualified by saying that while the scheme on the original lines is dead, something may be accomplished in the next three weeks toward merging some of the important concerns. But of this

there is no certainty at present.

"The report of the experts as to the earnings of the companies do not verify the representations which were made, and the properties of these companies will not be purchased. Therefore, the consolidation, as originally contemplated, will not be consummated. It now seemes certain that a consolidation of some, if not a majority, of the companies, will be made about April 1.'

#### OFFICIAL CROP REPORT.

Reserves in the Hands of Farmers an Ex cess Over Last Year.

Washington, March 11 .- The consolidated returns of the different crop reporting agencies of the Department of Agriculture made up to March 1 show the wheat reserves in farmers' hands on that date to have been the equivalent of 22.9 per cent. of last year's crop, or about 121,000,000 bushels. This is 33,-000,000 bushels in excess of the farm reserve reported one year ago. The corn in farmers' hands as esti-

mated aggregated 783,000,000 bushels, or 41.1 per cent. of last year's crop, as against 1.164,000.000 bushels. of 51.0 per cent., on hand on March 1, 1897, and 1,-72,000,000 bushels, or 49.8 per cent., on March 1, 1896.

Of oats there are reported to be about 272,000,000 bushels, or 38.9 per cent., still in farmers' hands, as compared with 13,000,000 bushels, or 44.2 per cent., on

#### Naval Bill Almost Ready.

Washington, March 11.-Except for a details the Naval Appropriation has been practically completed by House Committee on Naval Af-s. Chairman Boutelle said last ht he might report the bill to the ise by to-morrow, and if not it will n early next week. There have been

changes from the estimates, and the bill will involve in the neighborhood \$30,000,000 aside from new vessels,

THE DEPUTIES ACQUITTED.

Verdict of Not Guilty Rendered in the

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 10 .- The jury in the case of Sheriff Martin and his deputies for shooting of strikers at Lattimer, on September 10, returned a verdict of not guilty.

Long before the time for court to onvene yesterday morning there was a big crowd waiting to gain admission to the court room. Judge Woodward did not take his seat on the bench until 10.05 o'clock, the jury coming in a few minutes later. When the jurors had taken their seats the roll was called, each man answering to his name. The clerk then asked: "Gentlemen of the jury, have you agreed upon a ver-

The foreman replied: "We have," at the same time handing the clerk the written verdict, which was promptly passed to Judge Woodward.

After reading the verdict the Judge returned the paper to the clerk. The latter, addressing the jury, said: "Gentlemen, your verdict in the case of the Commonwealth vs. James Martin et. al. is not guilty, so say you all."

"We do," was the reply.
The jury was then polled and each juror answered not guilty as his name was called.

There was an attempt at applause, but it was quickly suppressed by the

Judge. When the jury retired Tuesday evening, they took only one ballot and it was unanimous for acquittal. It is said the jury was prepared to render a verdict before leaving the box. The ballot was taken only for form's sake.

After the jury had been thanked and discharged by Judge Woodward, District Attorney Martin asked that the defendants be required to continue their bail bond, as there are still seventeen indictments for murder hanging over them, and thirty-eight for feloniously wounding. The bond was continued as requested.

District Atttorney Martin says he has not decided what to do with these other cases, but will confer with the Prosecuting Committee. This committee, it is said, will insist upon further prosecution.

The trial of Sheriff Martin and his deputies began on Tuesday, February 1, and continued for five weeks, about 150 witneses being called by the Commonwealth and the defense. The case was bitterly fought by both sides, and has excited more interest than any other case ever tried in this section of the State.

It is said that the trial will cost the county almost \$10,000 and the defense The lawyers engaged by the Prosecuting Committee to assist the District Attorney were to have a fee of \$1,000 each. So far each has received \$700 of it.

#### TREASURY IN GOOD SHAPE.

Customs Receipts Increasing-Gold Reserve Touching Record Figures. Washington, March 10.-At no time

has the national Treasury been in a healthier condition than now. There is not only a greater store of gold in the vaults of the Treasury building today than there has been for a decade, but at no time within many years has the flow of gold into the Treasury been so strong and steady as it is at pres-There are in round numbers \$170,-000,000 in gold in the Treasury, and the supply is increasing every day, though the Government is making no effort toward further accumulation. The most remarkable and gratifying of recent developments has been the reappearance of gold in the payments for customs at New York. In the past few years the yellow metal has never been tendered in payment of customs dues, but the gradual restoration of confidence has had the effect of renewing the flow of gold into the custom

It has been gradual, but it has now become unmistakable. Last September the proportion of gold was only eigh!-tenths of 1 per cent, of all the receipts. The next month it rose to 3.6 per cent. In November it had increased to 5 per cent., and so it rose steadily until now it is no less than 10 per cent. of the receipts. The Treasury authorities have done nothing to produce this condition, nor even to encourage it.

The customs payments in actual coin is regarded in financial circles as one of the best barometers of the confidence of the money market. Next to gold. United States notes are considered the best forms of payment of customs dues, and these constituted 54 per cent. of the receipts in January, and rose to 64 per cent. last month.

#### FLORIDA'S FORT PLANS STOLEN. Burglars, Said to Be Spanish Spies, Break

Into Building at St. Augustine. West Palm Beach, Fla., March 10.

Following is an excerpt from a letter which has been received here the in-formation coming from an official in the Government building in St. Augus-

The Government building here was entered by thieves on last Thursday night and robbed, the thieves taking nothing but the plans and specifications from the engineers of the fortifi-cations of the State. The discovery caused great excitement among the of ficials, and the matter has been kept a profound secret. The town has been besieged with Spanish spies for the last ten days, and it is generally believed by the authorities that they are the perpetrators."

#### Maine Survivors Arrive in New York.

New York, March 10 .- Five members of the crew of the Maine, who wire among those rescued after the ba ship was blown up in Havana Harbor, arrived here yesterday on the steamer Lampasas from Key West. They met with an enthusiastic reception from the moment they were seen from shore until they reached the navy Yard in Brooklyn. The men were George B. Load, master at arms; F. Topping and "Gus" Schwartz, seamen, and K. Kushida and T. O. Awo. Japanese attendants in the wardroom

#### Iron Works Reopen.

Newcastle, Del., March 10.-Next Monday the Delaware Iron Works will resume operations, after a suspension of four months, and give employment to nearly 500 hands. Many families have been in distress since the shutdown, aid being furnished them by prominent citizens.

. BABY PROPHET IS A WONDER.

Chicago Produces a Three Year Old Child Prodigy.

Chicago nas a propinet only three years old. Her name is Winifred Cline, daughter of Samuel Cline, & wholesale chemist.

The child has demonstrated her ability to foretell all kinds of accidents and important events varying from one day to several months in advance.

She does the phenomenal prophecying in a perfectly natural manner. She never goes into a trance; never claims to see visions, either asleep or awake; never gets "spells" of any kind. She eats, sleeps and plays around the house like any ordinary child.

For instance, she foretold the election of President McKinley several months in advance, when she was only two years old. This might strike an outsider at this time as being then an easy prophecy, even for a child. But circumstances show it to have been otherwise. During the Presidential Tota campaign Winifred's grandfather, John McNally, was a guest of the little girl's father. Both Mr. McNally and Mr Cline were ardent supporters of Bryan Every evening they talked about the campaign, expressing their utmost confidence that Bryan would be elected Winifred had never heard anybody say anything to the contrary, so that when one evening before election Mr. Cline came home and announced that he had put up \$100 on Bryan's election, and was going to win it, the whole family was astounded by this sudden and grave assertion from Baby Winifred:

"Mr. Bryan will not be elected, papa. You will lose your bet. Mr. McKinley will be the next President of the United States."

Another extraordinary thing about little Winifred, and something that has caused her parents much anxiety, is the fact that she has never used "baby talk." Her choice and range of words is as serious and extended as a woman of mature years.

Among other things she can always tell what the weather will be the following day. She can always tell at what hour a letter will arrive and often from whom it will come. She not only foretells the approaching visits of friends, but can even tell how the visiting friends are going to feel and what will be done while they are calling at her home. Her parents say there has not been a single instance where her prophecies have not come to pass.

In addition to this prophetic power little Winifred has a marvellous memory, never forgetting the smallest detail of a conversation. A list of a dozen, or even two dozen figures can be shown her for a few moments, and she can call off each figure correctly .- New York World.

#### He Missed a Golden Opportunity.

A New Jersey junk dealer lost what would have been the best bargain he ever had in his life when he tried to beat down the price he was asked to pay for a barrel of old iron. The iron belonged to a queer old hermit who lived alone for many years, and who died a short time ago. The man who was settling up his affairs found a barrel containing scraps of old iron in the shed, and when a junk dealer came along, offered it to him for one dollar. The junk man demurred at the price claiming it was worth only half that and during the discussion which followed they tipped over the barrel There among the old iron was found a lot of gold and silver coins which counted up more than six hundred dol-

#### A New Employment.

An employment which a few original women have been able to make lucrative is that of furnishing notes for papers, addresses, lectures and the like. These women read everything in the way of periodicals, classifying and condensing important topics and prepare notes amply supplemented by clippings, that amount to a synopsis of the current news on the subject. This often becomes a sori of information bureau for the busy writers and talkers of the day. Club speakers, in particular, avail themselves of it.-New York Journal.

#### To Admit Her Mistake.

The wife opening the window)-"Well, John, drunk again? It was the mistake of my life when I married

you." John-"All right, 'Liza. Chust come down (hic) and open zhis door (hic) and amit your mistake."-New York Journal.

THE MAT COULDN'T STAND IT.



Soprano-Ah! ah!!! ah!!!! wai my love—ah wait my love.



Fur Mat-Well! I haven't heard any thing like that since I was tanned.

#### KNOWING HOW PAYS.

The Moral of This Old, Old Anecdote Will Save a **Heap of Trouble** and a Pile of Money.

Something had gone wrong with some simple part of the machinery of a stationery engine, and the stoker could not fix it. After spending a day or two on it, he was forced to ask the aid a more competent workman. He failed also, and someone suggested the employment of a local celebrity—a sort of tinker at any mechanical job. There is generally one in every locality. He gave two or three raps with his hammer and touched up a rod or two, when the pounding, or whatever ailed the machinery ceased. When asked to make out his bill, it read as follows: Fixing Engine Knowing how

10.00

This anecdote has nothing earthly to do with Mr. Wm. F. Knapp engineer and fireman at Roth & Goldschmidt's, South Norwalk, but it serves to introduce him to the Norwalk public, and at the same time shows the close relation between the tinker's work on the engine and average humanity's, when they tinker with their kidneys. Mr. Knapp tells how he cured his. Read this statement.

"I am an old time engineer and like a great many men who followed my calling the weak spot in my anatomy is my back, probably caused by becoming over-heated in a warm atmosphere and then expose to cold. Be that as it may I had considerable trouble with my kidneys and although I used simple household remedies and on one or two occasions took medicine, I was never able to completely rid myself of the at tacks. Reading about the work performed by Doan's Kidney Pills in and around the Norwalks, I came to the conclusion they might help me and procuring a supply I commenced the treat-ment. After completing it I was so greatly improved in my general health that I conscientiously endorse Doan's Kidney Pills."

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#### Harbor Scavengers.

When the full fishing fleet is at the wharf thousands of gulls gather about the end of the dock. Some of the small boys who dangle legs and a ish line over the edge in the expectation of catching a smelt or two amuse themselves by throwing far out into the water two large pieces of fish tied together by a stout string. The voracious birds do not stop at swallowing a bit of rope, and if a gull reaches each end of the string at the same time there is a great fluttering, splashing and crying. Besides providing an amusement for the idlers at the docks, these wild birds do a great service to the public. They are the natural scavengers of the harbor and pounce upon everything edible and devour it with an omniverous appetite. Were it not for the gulls the vicinity of the fish wharves would reek with the flotsame and jetsam of the fishing vessels and warehouse.-Boston Transcript.

#### Victims of Water Drinking.

There are two interesting instances of the effect of water upon the human system. In the Alps and the Pyrenees there is a race of people who are old men at 15 years of age, and who die at 30: this being entirely due to their drinking lime-water. The Chinese. on the other hand, drink nothing but rainwater, and, as a nation, their longevity is proverbial.-Philadelphia

#### Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh. which is nothing but an in-

flamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.
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## WILTON EDITION.

Devoted to the Local News of Wilton, Cannon, Georgetown and Branchville.

RICHARD H. FITCH, Editor. . . . Wilton. Conn.

The special town meeting predicted in last week's GAZETTE has been called by the Selectmen to be held at the Town House Saturday, March 12th, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the following purposes:

FIRST. To authorize the Selectmen to take up the outstanding Town Bonds and to issue new bonds in their place.

SECOND. To adopt By-Laws regulating Town Proceedure, etc.

THIRD. To authorize the building of a gravel road from near the residence of Sherman Morehouse to Wilton Station.

FOURTH. To rescind the votes passed at the annual meeting in relation to working the highways and to pass such other votes in relation thereto as the meeting may deem best.

FIFTH. To instruct the Selectmen in the matter of collecting certain claims against the Town of Weston.

These are important subjects and should call out a full attendance of voters. All are destined to help the town in their various ways if passed. The matter of the bonds is of great importance and our selectmen have shown themselves worthy of the confidence of the people, and thoroughly capable of transacting this important business. The framing of a definite set of rules for Town proceedure will fill the traditional long felt want. As for the continuation of the gravel road, the majority of our tax payers are thorough ly satisfied with the section already laid and will undoubtedly vote to continue it to the depot, as it is the most traveled section of the town's highways and in as bad a condition as any of our main streets. The fourth count will be given careful consideration and will depend largely on the action taken on the extension of the road.

The last count refers to the Randle Mead case in which the town hold an unsettled account against the town of Weston for help from the poor fund.

May a goodly attendance be present, a careful consideration of the subjects had, and that course that is in every case best for the well fare of old Wilton, adopted.

#### Wilton.

According to our farmers the frost is about out of the ground, maple sap is running, a full crop of seed catalouges is ripe, and everybody is talking of what they will do when the springtime comes. In the meantime, the tenth anniversary of the blizzard is at hand and overcoats may be still of further use than to harbor moths.

Miss Carpenter, president of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Matthew's parish, was 'the recipient this week of the "biddies" with a great big gun. a dainty remembrance from a little Indian girl in South Dakota, who has been assisted by the parish. It was a buckskin purse elaborately ornamented with beads, and is greatly prized by Miss Carpenter.

Miss Abby Rundle who has been visiting her aunt, Miss Carpenter, has returned to New York.

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Fathers was held at the Town House on Monday afternoon.

The selectmen representing the Town, and Mr. Boucle for the Berlin Iron Bridge Company met at the town clerk's office on Saturday and after a careful perusal of the plans the new iron bridge was formally accepted for the town.

Wilton's first iron bridge was opened to the public on Friday March 4th, 1898. Selectman Morehouse was the first one to drive over the structure, and the venerable Mrs. James Sturges, of Cannon, was the second to drive across. The bridge is highly satisfactory and now that there is a fair chance of an extension of gravel road to the depot, the old town has a sample of modern roadway that is all right. Let the good work go on.

Mrs. Ryfenburg of Ridgefield is visiting her daughter, Mrs. P. S. Acker-

Miss Alice Olmstead has returned from an extended visit with friends in New York.

Miss Ryder, of Hurlbutt Street, was the guest of Miss Florence Gilbert on

W. K. J. Hubbell was the guest of Col. F. St. John Lockwood, Norwalk,

on Saturday. Mrs. Jane Foot has purchased a new

Mrs. LeGrand Seymour of North Wilton visited her sister, Mrs. T. F. Norwalk, Conn Gilbert, on Monday.

Mrs. P. S. Ackerman, has been quite

Mrs. George W. Smalley, and Miss Gracie Smalley of Litchfield were the guests of R. M. Olmstead, Saturday.

Mrs. E. D. Hurd who was seriously injured by a fall from a wagon last week, is not improving as rapidly as her many friends could wish. A slight case of pneumonia developed on Sunday but later reports show that she is improving slowly.

Six services were held at the Congregational church Sunday.

The funeral of George E. Keeler was argely attended from the Congregational church on Sunday afternoon. His fellow members of The Y.P.S.C.E. and Butler Lodge I. O. O. F. of South Norwalk, and his many frierds completely filled the body of the church. The services at the church were conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. D. Hart. At the grave, Mr. Hart said a short prayer, and the Odd Fellows, said their ritual for the dead. It was a most impressive ceremony.

The Wilton Reading Circle met with Mrs. J. M. Betts on Thursday.

Clinton Hurd of Danbury is visiting his parents in this town.

There was a lively scrap between Gyp Gantley, and Jackie Betts last Saturday. Their owners acting as peace officers called it off in the first round.

The balmy weather of the past week, has set the local members of the Golf club to making preparations for the coming season of sport. News comes from New York that the president of the club, Miss Sarah Middlebrooks, is furthering plans for a fair for the bene fit of the club with characteristic energy. A number of the city mem. bers are hard at work fashioning tempters for the unwary, and the affair which is to be held on the handsome grounds of Mrs. Charles Jones is sure to be a success from every point of view.

Rev. W. D. Hart will exchange with Rev. R. J. Thompson pastor of the Green's Farms church on Sunday.

T. T. Merwin has ordered a new Pat-

#### A Card.

tee Bicycle.

To the friends who, by their acts of Christian kindness and sympathy assisted us in our hours of trial, we desire to express our heartfelt thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Thayer.

#### Belden Hill.

Miss Annie St. John died on Monday last after a short illness, aged 68 years. Miss St. John has long been a resident of this street. The funeral services were held from her late home on Wednesday, the interment being in St. Matthew's churchyard.

A large mink was an unwelcomed visitor to Mrs. Frank Brady's hen roost one night this week, and killed five fine hens valued at five dollars. The marauder is still at large but foreman Staples is keeping nightly vigil over

#### Cannon.

One of the most successful church entertainments held in this place in several years, was held at the pleasant home of Mrs. B. F. Brown on Thursday evening last, by the ladies of the Zion's Hill M. E. church. The well rendered programme delighted the large audience. A number of songs and instrumental selections were given including several violin solos by Miss Stockwell, who has finished a winter's study with a Bridgeport professor, which was the star feature of the programme. Two farces were cleverily acted by local

#### Feminine Chat.

Which is worse, a ladylike man or a gentlemanly woman?

Any pictures depicting scenes of war gather interested crowus at this time that would never have given them a glance six months ago.

It was a clever woman who remarked that she wasn't a bit superstitious, still she felt that the law of chance was certainly very curious. Now is the time when to gain an au-

dience with the fashionable modiste is as much a matter of ceremony as to be presented at a queen's drawing room. Few of this year's diaries are still

working. Some people are only sorry once, and that is for all time;

How manyof us havegone in forhonest denial during Lent? The March birth stone is the blood-

Why is it that the six-foot woman al. vays considers that her irresistible quality lies in being kittenish?

The disp.ay of seeds for early plant- periments.

ing makes one feel that the green grass will soon be growing all around. Not one woman in ten can with ease go through the complications necessary

in sending off a registered letter. The person who never likes to work at any time finds the weather a particularly favorable excuse for shirking at this season.

It was a very practical little girl who informed her mother that no matter how lovely heaven might be, she infinitely preferred staying here where she was better acquainted.

No rules can be laid down concerning those qualities that a woman finds most admirable in a man. It all de. pends on the particular traits in the particular man with whom she happens to be in love.

Among Parisian lingerie some exquisite night caps are shown.

Have faith in yourself if you wish the world to believe in you.

Is it a blessing or an affliction to have a very affectionate disposition? Many a woman spends the day, and nothing else, when she is out shopping

#### HYMENEAL.

The Finch-Sutherland Nuptials Attended by Norwalk People.

Mr. Gilbert Finch and Miss Edith Sutherland, were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Sutherland, at Stanwich, last evening. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Shaw of the Congregational church.

Messrs. William Heusted and William Lynda of New York acted as groomsmen and Cora Sutherland a sister of the bride and Miss Lizzie Kissam of New York were bridesmaids. The bride looked very pretty gowned

in a dress of white organdie, and the bridesmaids were becomingly dressed in like material over blue. There were 150 guests present in-

cluding a number of relatives and friends of the couple from this city. The wedding feast was a grand one,

and the gifts were many, comprising both useful and ornamental articles of much value. The guests had arranged to shower Mr. and Mrs. Finch with rice, etc., but

they eluded them all and managed to escape to the railroad station with nothing but a few dinner bells attached to the coach and clanging to the public the announcement of the happy event. It was 4 o'clock this morning when the Norwalk members of the party reached

Mr. and Mrs. Finch on their return from their bridal tour will reside in Greenwich.

Some Sound Advice. The Patron-I confess that I'm prene to making a mountain out of a

volchill. The Clairvoyant-Why don't you go ato the real estate business?-New York Journal.

Mrs. Margaret Sangster disapproves of the efforts of a woman to remove wrin-kles from her face on the ground that "there is a history in every line of her face." Very like. But, says the Indianapolis Sentinel, the average woman objects to carrying an historical library around with her.

### THE KIDNEYS

#### Some Important Duties They Have to Perform.

The Kidneys are filters of the blood. Thousands of times daily every drop of blood in your veins passes through your Kidneys to be cleansed of impurities. Both your health and your life depend

upon keeping disease away from those important organs. The minute the Kidneys are out of order, you begin to have pains in the small of the back-your urine has a sediment in it after standing twenty-four h oursthere is scalding pain in passing water, and you are com-

pelled to get up often at night to urinate. A doctor knows what those symptoms mean. You can understand them just as well as he. For all those troubles there is a medi-cine that cures them—Dr. David Ken-

cine that cures them—Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. It removes the Kidney poisons and restores perfect health. Ask your druggist for it. It costs only \$1 a bottle.

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two patterns alike, per pattern \$8.75. 4 pieces Bayadere Satin de Soudan, per yard, 50c.

5 styles of Crepon, Mohair and Wool, per yard, \$1.25.

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1 case of Nameless full bleached Sheeting, 8c quality, for this great anniversary sale, 5c. Quantity limited.

1 case of the best Mottled Outing, the 12½c kind, for this Anniversary sale, 6c.

1 case of 10c Ginghams, fine quality, 6c. 25 dozen ready-made Pillow Slips. Anniversary sale, 1 pair for 19c. Lim-

ited to 3 pairs to a customer.

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1 case of 8c Domet. Anniversary

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#### LOCAL NEWS.

Kenneth Thomas, of East avenue has

an attack of the mumps. E. L. Thompson and wife of Philadel-

phia, are visiting friends in town. Mr. and Mrs. Philip N. Smith of Bayview avenue spent Sunday in New Ha-

Twenty new members were added to the Norwalk Methodist church, Sun-

Mrs. Frank Allen, of New street, has been entertaining Mrs. H. E. Bradley,

Miss Delia F. Morehouse has been entertaining Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Burr of Greenwich.

Miss Gussie Demarest of Norwalk has been visiting Miss Alice Stocking of Georgetown.

Mrs. Vickers, widow of Captain John Vickers, of South Wilton, has moved into apartments in Main street.

Ralph Kellogg of Broad River, has sold three Alderney cows to a New Canaan man.

Lenten penitents are already making arrangements for festal occasions to take place after Easter Sunday.

Charles Stone of Norwalk and Miss Bessie Zarr are now man and wife and both are glad of the fact.

Wallace and Horace E. Dann who have purchased the Camp property on France street, propose improving the

Mrs. Hattie S. Barnes, of South Main street, who went to visit New Jersey friends, is detained there by the illness

of her son. The class pin of the graduating class of the Over River School, '98, is a happy conceit. The design is a quill and

scroll enclosed in a wreath. Miss Bertha J. Becker a former resident of South Norwalk, is reported as being in ill health at Wiesbaden, Germany and as contemplating a visit to

this country. Mrs. Richard Nesbitt and Mrs. William Ferris, of Norwalk, who have been attending the funeral of a relative in

Philadelphia, have returned home. The remains of the infant daughter of John and Mary McAllister of Danbury, who died Friday, were brought

to Norwalk Saturday for burial. Mrs. Mary Force and family will occupy one of the newly renovated houses. owned by Col. P. L. Cunningham at

the corner of West avenue and Garner street, when completed. Mrs. Alex. S. Gibson who has filled the position of solo contralto at the

First M. E. church for three years has been engaged by the Norwalk Methodist for the coming year. Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Reynolds and Mr.

and Mrs. Irving Reed were guests over Sunday of Lewis Reed of Danbury.

Mrs. Leonard C. Whitney, soprano, and Miss Amy Wood, contralto, have been engaged to sing at Trinity church the coming year.

Mrs. T. K. Noble and Mrs. J. G. Jennings have been appointed delegates by the State Federation of Womens' clubs to the convention to be held at

Denver, in June. St. Patrick's day will be celebrated at the Opera House, in the evening, under the auspices of the Catholic club. An excellent programme has been arranged for the occasion and includes speeches, vocal and instrumental mu-

Miss C. F. Baird has engaged the use of the armory two afternoons each week. The young women attending the Institute will thus be given a chance to become expert basket-ball players. The first game was played yesterday afternoon.

An entertainment will be given at Lockwood's Hall, Wednesday evening, March 16, under the auspices of the Norwalk Congregational Sunday school. Among those who will take part are Mrs. Newkirk, Miss Sher wood, vocalists, and Miss Osborn, of New Haven, a noted whistler.

News has been received in West Redding that W. H. Remington of that place was suffocated in a refrigerator car at Fort Worth, Tex. A party had entered the car and built a coal fire in a can. The fumes killed four of them. In Remington's pocket was found a letter from his mother in West Redding. The relatives decline to have anything to do with the body.

Mrs. Charles Rogers of Elm street, was relieved of her pocket-book by some sneak thief last Thursday evening at an entertainment in Grace church. These nuisances are getting n their work all around Norwalk, many cases coming to light since the bold affair at St. Joseph's church, Sun-

day morning. It is now stated that sneak thieves appropriated pocketbooks containing small amounts of money at the services in St. Mary's church, Saturday night, and were seen acting in a suspicious manner about the church Sunday morning, but were warned off the premises by the sexton. It is thought to be the same party who operated so successfully at St. Joseph's church on is always pleasant to refer to and re-Sunday morning.

Frank Slauson is on the sick list.

Mrs. F. S. Byxbee is ill at her home n Unionville. Most of the hat factories are doing a

good business. William Taylor is ill at his home on Summit street.

Chester Ingersoll is seriously ill at is home on Raymond street.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Hardy of Belden avenue, on Mon A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs.

Charles Clark, of South Main street, on Monday. Herman Brundage has recovered rom his recent illness and is able to be

attack of pneumonia at her home on Kellogg street. Manager Hoyt has secured the cele-

brated Peyton company for next week t his Opera house. Everett Easton has taken a position as book-keeper at the South Norwalk

Hardware Co., South Norwalk. Work at the Wheeler Straw hat man ifactory is booming, and large corps of

ands are up to their eyes in work. Mrs. Joseph Valentine of Fordham, N. Y., who has been a guest of her mother, Mrs. Susan Ferris has re-

urned home. Landlord Brown proprietor of the 'Hawxhurst' at Richfield Springs, was a guest of F. A. Lane of Crescent

Perrace, last night. A large number of bicycle riders are to the matter in spring street to Day taking advantage of the balmy air and street and discussed it at length, but good traveling to-day, the lady bicyclist being in the majority.

Electrician Charles Riley writes from Boston where he is visiting his mother that the city is but a fly-speck as compared with New York.

Ex-conductor Sweet of the Street Railway line has written to friends in town that he has secured a situation in a shear factory at Cornwall.

The condition of Mrs. Mary Bradley who is ill at the home of her daughter on Orchard street, does not improve and it is feared that she cannot long

survive. Jacob Schaub, weight 310 pounds, has bought a bicycle at the South Norwalk Hardware Co.'s store, and can any day be expected to be seen scorching up the avenue at a break-neck pace.

Mrs. C. F. Osborn is removing from Maple to Arch street. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Osborn who are expected home from their extended wedding trip the first of next month will also reside there.

The governing board of the Knob Outing club met Saturday night and transacted business preliminary to the opening of the season of '98.

Many new improvements were outlined, the most important of which be-Directors of the Federation of Women's ing the erection of a balcony on the east clubs will be held in Bridgeport April side of the second floor of the club daily buss from the trolley cars to the club house during the season was also discussed and will probably be adopted.

The club is in good financial condition and expects to largely increase in membership this year.

The annual meeting will be held in the Mahackemo hotel on Saturday evening, March 19, at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. James S. Lyon of North avenue was the victim of a surprise party Tuesterday afternoon. It was out of the general order of such affairs inasmuch as it was a genuine surprise.

It came about in this way. Mrs. Lyon is a member of the Ladies' Aid society which held a meeting yesterday afternoon, but Mrs. Lyon failed to be present. The ladies then and there decided to take their absent member to task.

To that end they resolved to singly visit Mrs. Lyon's home at intervals between each call, of ten minutes, and to collectively have a good time at the expense of Mrs. Lyon.

The plot was carried out to perfection and with the result that all interested had a thoroughly good time, as the hostess was fully equal to the demands of her lady guests.

Monday night old Concord Division, Sons of Temperance celebrated its Fifty- mer was not notified of the robbery un fourth anniversary at the meeting room of the Division in the GAZETTE build-

Brother N. E. Peck acted as master of ceremonies. The exercises opened with singing of a male quartette com- large. posed of F. C. Force, W. F. Ambler, I

Wheeler and E. Morehouse.

This was followed by a piano solo by
Miss Nellie Disbrow. Then, came a
speech by Grand Worthy Patriarch
Charles Hubbell of Stratford.

The male quartette sang again and there was a recitation by Mrs. Fred Wheeler, a song by Miss Louise Sutton,

a recitation by Harold Raymond, and a piano colo by Miss Grace Hart. A solo by W. F. Ambler came next and then a recitation by Miss Emma Warner, a speech by W. P. Bill of New Haven, as well as speeches by other leading members of the order from

Danbury, New Canaan, etc.

Members of the order were present from Greenwich, Westport, New Canaan, Danbury, Rowayton and sur-

rounding towns.

Refreshments were served and the occasion was altogether such an one as

It has been officially announced by the Right Rev. M. Tierney, bishop of Hartford, in his report of the condition of his diocese, that progress is being made in every department. The Cath-olic population has reached 250,000 souls, according to the aggregate census reports of all the parishes in Connecticut. The increase of church property during the year has been gratify-

ing, and the insurance on said property is at present considerably more than \$4,000,000. The total indebtedness is

about \$1,250,000.

The number of marriages during the year 1897 was 2,147, of which 266 were mixed marriages, that is, one of the contracting parties was not a member of the Catholic church.

The number of bantisms was less

The number of baptisms was less than 100 short of 10,000, which was an nan 100 snort of 10,000, which was an increase of 120 over the previous year.

During the month of January, each year, all the pastors make a report to the bishop, and this enables the supreme pastor of the diocese to give an account of property of his diocese. Bishop The Lounsbury, Mathewson & Co. shoe manufactory is busily engaged in filling orders.

Ethel Ezekiel is suffering from an attack of pneumonia at her home on work is no more than one-quarter ac-complished, he is satisfied that each parish is in even a better condition than the official reports indicate. The constant advance in population, both from natural increase and immigration goes on from year to year.

An adjourned regular meeting of the City council of South Norwalk was held

last evening.

Mayor Bohannan was absent and
Hatch presided. The Councilman Hatch presided. The usual bills were received and ordered

After some discussion the sum of \$300 was voted for use of the Electric Light plant and \$500 for commercial lighting. The matter of the widening of Mon-roe street was fully discussed, and it was finally voted that a public hearing be held on Monday evening, March

The council next paid its attention to the matter of the

no action was taken.

The subject of cutting a street through from State street to Spring street, received attention and the street commissioner was instructed to partment. investigate and report upon the cost, etc., of the proposed improvement.

The street commissioner was instructed to lay out and improve what is known as lower South Main street from Grove street to city line in accordance with a previous vote. The finance committee was instructed

to get in proper shape the issuance of the \$25,000 bonds ordered by the city and to advertise for bidders for the The committee on fire department

was instructed to secure plans and specifications for the proposed addition to Putnam Hose house and to advertise for bids for the construction of the Residents of Elm Grove place prayed for the working of the highway at

that point. The matter was discussed but no action taken.

The council then adjourned until Monday evening, March 21st.

St. Joseph's R. C. church at South Norwalk, last Sunday was the scene of one the boldest thefts yet committed within the environments of the town of Norwalk. Its very boldness is no doubt what contributed largely to the success of the same, combined with what may be termed carelessness on the part of the victims.

Mrs. Owen A. Riley and Mrs. David F. Bernard, the former a resident of South Main street and the latter of Spring street, attended the 80'clock mass at the church and occupied a front seat.

In the pew back of them were seated two elderly women and a young man whose description will be given later on. The young man seemed to be very devout, and no special attention was

paid to his presence Mrs. Riley and Mrs. Bernard went forward to the altar, leaving their pocketbooks in the pew. On returning to the pew, Mrs. Bernard found that her pocketbook was missing, and Mrs. Kiley congratulated herself on finding her cwn, as she supposed, intact. An unsuccessful search was made for Mrs. Bernard's pocketbook, during ing which time Mrs. Riley opened her pocketbook and was startled to find that its contents, about \$60 had been abstracted.

Mrs. Bernard stated her loss as be-

ing about eight dollars.
As before stated the young man who sat in the pew back of them attracted some attention by working his way out of the pew and out of the church durng the solemnity of the services, and a fairly good description of him was gained.

It is thought that the young man in the pew back of that occupied by the two victims is the guilty thief.

He was a comparative stranger and described as being about 25 or 28 years of age, smooth face, and dark complexion, stockily built, and about 5 feet 8 inches in height, and as wearing a dark blue sack suit and minus an overcoat. It is asserted that he attended a meeting at the church on Friday evening,

ently very devout. For some reason or other Chief Volltil about 9:20, or after the thief had had a chance to reach the railroad station and take either the 9:12 or 9:14 train

and as yesterday morning was appar

going east and west.

The chief took advantage of chances in his power to apprehend the thief but up to 12 o'clock the fellow was at

The general opinion seems to be that he had a confederate, who may be known locally, and this opinion gains credence by the fact that the supposed

thief took a sitting where he did It was a bold thelt and executed with

the art of a professional. A Norwalk business man who was at the South Norwalk station Sunday morning, awaiting a train going west, noticed that there was a young man on the platform who while apparently fairly well dressed lacked the seasonable top dressing of a top coat, or in other words an overcoat. His description of the man tallies almost exactly with that given of the party who is supposed to have appropriated the money at the church.

A dish that is pretty to look at is generally expected to be more palatable than one that lays no claim to

#### City Meeting.

Agreeable to the call of the annual city meeting, Mayor Glover at 7:30 o'clock last evening called such assemblage to order, and the city clerk read the call for the same.

The most important business before the meeting was the fixing of the bud-get of city expenses for the current

When the meeting opened there were, perhaps, one hundred persons present, which number was augmented during the progress of the same by possibly fifty more:
The ball was started rolling by the

presentation of the administrative department, the figures being placed at \$5,000. A. E. Austin asked as to why \$500 more than the sum appropriated last year should be called for.

Councilman Meeker explained that a sum amounting to something like \$500 was due the tax collector for the collection of taxes under the old board

A. H. Camp called attention to the fact that the Mayor and present board of councilmen were to receive salaries somewhat in excess of that given the old board, and favored the full appropriation asked for.

After some further discussion \$500 was lopped off and \$4,500 voted. Next came the finance department

which asked for \$14,000. Mayor Glover said that he did not consider the amount asked for as being

A. E. Austin said that to his mind the present administration ought not begin work by adding to the city's in-

debtedness. On motion the sum of \$13,500 was

voted. The Fire department asked for \$3,500 and after considerable discussion \$2,000 was voted for running expenses and

\$500 for repairs.

The highway department was the next in the budget and asked for an ap-

propriation of \$5,500.

S. B. Wilson asked the pertinent question "Will it require that amount?" and received an equally pertinent answer from the Mayor that "You can expend twice that amount on the streets'

to good advantage. It was finally voted to appropriate the sum of \$4,500 to the highway de-

The Light committee asked for \$7,-500 and on motion of William Sheldon \$7,530 was voted.

The sum of \$5,000 for the police department was asked for and so voted. The sewer department wanted \$1,500 and the meeting voted that the department receive that amount.

When the question as to an appropriation of \$2,400 for the library was reached, a voice at the rear of the hall called out "We won't do a thing to that! Oh no!"

Said a voice a few seats away, "It might be beneficial for that fellow to visit a library oftener than he does. William Sheldon made a motion that the appropriation be made \$2,500.

A. E. Austin moved to amend by making the appropriation \$1,000. Dr. J. G. Gregory, president of the

board of library directors, very suc-ciently explained the present status or condition of the library. He said that there was not a town or city of the size of Norwalk but that was proud of its library and glad to support it, and that the spirit of establishing and supporting public libraries was almost universal throughout the state. He spoke to some length on the subject, and said that in 1895 the city voted to establish the present library. At this latter assertion of fact A. E. Austin felt called upon to interrupt the speaker with the not o'er kind re-

mark 'I'm awfully sorry we ever did."
Paying no attention to the remark,
Dr. Gregory went on and Dr. Gregory went on and gave in de-tail the attendance at the library since its incention, figures that must surely have shown as to its use and benefits. He further said, that the library seems to have been the scapegoat of all the the city appropriations. He said that the library had been conducted on the basis of a one-half mill tax.

No book had been purchased only at the lowest market rate. He cited the amounts expended in other cities for the benefit of its libraries, including South Norwalk which has a library building of its own from which a considerable revenue was gained. He said that he would dislike to see the present library discontinued for want of proper

A man, from some part of the hall cried out "We've no use for it, shut it

Considering the source of the remark the speaker paid little or no heed to it. Gen. Charles Olmstead, however, picked up the gauntlet, and remarked that he was not surprised that such a party should make such a remark. He said that it would be a mistaken policy that the proposition of A. E. Austin, for only a \$1,000 appropriation should

A young man named Mullen inter-rupted the speaker by asking "How much taxes do you pay any way?"

The General in a far more polite

manner than his questioner was deserv ing of, answered him.

E. J. Finnegan asked as to the actual

expense of conducting the library.
The figures were furnished by Dr Mr. Finnegan said that he had been given to understand that Mr. Donovan, the owner of the present store occupied by the library, had offered the same

rent free for library purposes.

After explaining the full nature of Mr. Donovan's offer as to the free ren-tal of the library, Mayor Glover said that he looked upon such offer as a

Dr. Gregory stated that when the present quarters were taken it was because at that time there were no others available. If a move was made there would be a larger and needed floor space, etc., provided. He coincided with the Mayor in reference to Mr. Donovan's offer.

A. E. Austin was again heard as against the appropriation asked for. Judge Asa B. Woodward was recognized by the chair, and said at the start that he hoped Mr. Austin's motion would not prevail. He spoke directly and intelligently on the subject of the library from its infancy and said that the library corporation had in fact made the city a present of nearly, if not quite, \$4,000 worth of books. He said that other towns and cities had been left library legacies and such might be the case in Norwalk. He' said that outside world by refusing to support a

library.

Dr. Gregory gave some further interesting statistics in regard to the li-brary, including the number of volumes taken there from daily, and did not believe that the same could be success-

fully conducted at less than \$1,600. Mayor Glover also gave some interesting statistics in reference to the good the library was doing, and thought it would be a mistake to close the same.

Dr. Gregory answered some questions propounded by J. A. Gray in a satisfactory manner.

Mr. P. Buckley and others spoke on the subject, after which the Mayor put the question as to making the appropriation \$2,000 and as an amendment to Mr. Austin's motion that the approp-

riation be \$1,000.

As he was putting the motion he was interrupted by Mullen, who in a peculiar tone of voice said, "Mr. Mayor will

you please state the motion."

The Mayor promptly answered him with, "Anybody who has got good sense would know better than to ask such a question."

The announcement of 'the vote was doubted and the Mayor appointed Messrs. Price, Story and Wilson as The motion was lost by a vote of 91

to 71.

A motion that the appropriation be \$1,600 was lost by a vote of 84 to 71. An appropriation of \$1,000 was then

The summary of the appropriations

15 as lonows.	Asked For	Granted
Administrative,	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,500
Finance,	14,000	13,500
Fire,	3,500	2,500
Highway,	5,500	4,500
Light,	7,500	7,530
Police,	5,000	5,000
Sewer,	1,500	1,500
Library,	2,400	1,000
	\$44,400	\$40,030

The next subject before the meeting was the laying of a tax to meet the appropriations above named.

Frederick Mead proposed that a tax of eight mills be laid.

This provoked considerable discus-ton, in which Gen. Charles Olmstead, sion, in which Gen. Charles Olmsteau, E. M. Lockwood, J. A. Gray and others

A tax of 8 mills on the ratable list of

the city was finally voted.

A majority report of the water commissioners was read by the secretary.

Water commissioner Mead present a minority report of the board as against the former report in reference

to the laying of a new 16 inch main at a cost of \$60,000, he favoring a pump-

ing station at a cost of \$10,000.

Through Mr. Mead's remarks, it was learned that Grupe's dam was leaking badly and that it would require fully a week to repair the same, and that in the meantime the city would have to get supply of water from South Nor-

walk at a heavy expense.

It was voted that both reports be

It was voted that the meeting appoint a committee of three to confer with the water commissioners in reference to the matter and the following gentlemen were appointed, R. Van Buren, C. N. Wood and Gen. Charles Olmstead, they to report at a future city meeting. A motion to adjourn then prevailed.

The annual meeting of the City of South Norwalk was held in Arion hall

last Monday night. The meeting was called to order by Councilman Hatch, and soon after

Mayor Bohannan put in an appearance and presided. The usual budget of appropriations were presented and elicited more or

less discussion. In the minds of some the amounts asked for were excessive and the parties of that mind so expressed themselves, and those in favor of the same, in a

like manner.

The result of the meeting was that with the elimination of \$1,000 for the sinking fund the amounts asked for by the council were granted as follows:

\$ 4,200 (\$2,000 for extension of hose house.) Electric Light,

(\$2,000 for commercial lighting.) Library, Health, 13,500 Streets

Administrative, A tax of 6 mills on the votable list was made and an additional tax of onequarter a mill for the benefit of the library was also voted, and the meeting adjourned.



SPRING COSTUME WITH TUNIC OVER-SKIRT FROM HARPER'S BAZAR

Spring Costume With Tunic Over-skirt.

Among the new fabrics shown by importers for spring are all-wool, softly falling materials, fine and light in weight, and appropriate to the clinging folds which are coming into fashion again. One of the novelties is Sicilienne, a silk and wool weave with a tiny silk cord crossing it, and resembl-

ing silk in softness and lustre. are rows of machine stitching, bias folds of the material stitched, bands of and it fits around the shoulders with silk of a contrasting color, and frills or I scarcely any ripples; like all the new bands of black satin ribbon. There is also a revived fancy for milliners' folds

in clusters of three or four. An imported Sicilienne gown of attractive simplicity in the new burntsilver gray is made with a tunic overdress. This tunic reaches exactly to the bottom of the under-skirt in front, in accordance with the present tendency towards long slender effects, and slopes gradually upwards towards the back, where it forms an open box-pleat, three and three-quarter yards at the three yards. foot. The old fashion of using two materials, one for the under-dress and the other for the over-skirt, is coming into vogue again in Paris, as, for instance, cloth oversilk, and nun's veilhe did not believe in being extravagant in the matter, and hoped that the city ing, grenadines, and other transparent and gray, forming great hows, and a figure with a skirt of novelty silk bewould not make itself ridiculous to the tissues with a skirt of novelty silk be- bunch of velvet spring flowers.

neath.' Such models afford a means o freshening up old gowns. A circular bertha with graduated

box-pleats in front is open from the neck to the bust, where it fastens invisibly, so that it may be removed when one prefers the bodice without it. The latter is drawn in pleats to a slight point in front, which passes under a girdle of satin, made with open bands the back. The back of the bedice is The trimmings for these dainty wools | cut round. The bertha is made with no stiffening except the satin lining, models; the tops of these perfectly tight sleeves have no fulness. They are finished at the wrist by a double turn-down cuff, with a tiny revers on each side. The tunic and bertha are bordered with bands of panne, than which no satin is more lustrous and velvety. The proper cut of the gown can be obtained from the cut paper patterns furnished by Harper's Bazar, where it appears. Approximate quantity of material-wool, forty-two inches falling on either side of the folds of a wide, for entire costume, eight yards: circular under-skirt. The latter is a silk or satin lining for entire costume. new three-gored model, measuring sixteen yards; satin trimmings, bias.

The hat of chiffonne straw, in a round form, is one of the new spring models which are designed to be set squarely on the top of the head. The trimmings are an airy scarf in coral AN INFORMAL PRAYER.

- "The proper way for a man to pray," Said Deacon Lemuel Keys.
- Said Deacon Lemuel Keys,
  "And the only proper attitude,
  "Is down upon his knees."
  "No: I should say the way to pray,"
  Said Rev. Dr. Wise,
  "is standing straight, with outstretched arms
  And rapt and upturned eyes."
- 'Oh, no, no, no!" said Elder Slow; "Such posture is too proud.
  A man should pray with eyes fast closed
  And head contritely bowed."
- "It seems to me his hands should be Austerely clasped in front, ith both thumbs pointed toward th Sain Rev. Dr.-Hunt.
- "Las' year I fell in Hodgkin's well
- Head R st." said Cyrus Brown,
  With b oh my heels a-stickin' up.
  My head a-pintin' down;
  An I made a prayer right then and there—
- he prayer I ever said— he prayer I ever prayed, A-sundin' on my head.
  - -Lynn (Mass.) Item.

### A DINNER DIALOGUE.

When I entered the drawing-room Hrs. Tregunter smiled on me quite a niably.

"I want you to take down Molly," he said, graciously.

I crossed to Molly at once, but she would not look at me. I ventured to remind her of my presence.

"Oh, it's you, is it?" she remarked pensively. "Yes, you've got to go down to din-

ner with me." She heaved a sigh.

"Is that quite polite?" I asked re proachfully.

She flashed a glance at me.

"Life is a continual pairing," she observed, standing up and shaking her draperies into becoming folds; "and so seldom with the right man."

"That is the comedy of life," I re-

"And what is the tragedy?" "Having no partner at all."

I indicated Miss Allemand, the governess, who was following alone. 'Poor dear!" said Mollie. "I wil.

relinquish you to her." But I declined firmly.

"I am afraid of governesses," I said explanitorily. "It was a governess who wrecked my young life.'

"What did she do?" asked Molly seriously. She declined to elope with me."

Molly withdrew her arm. "I fear you are a dreadful person." "I was only fourteen," I put in, has-

We had taken our places at the the table. I like a white shoulder, but white shoulder for two courses is too

much. "Is it quite fair to devote yourseli solely to Thomas!" I ventured to ask.

"He says such clever things." She flung the words beamingly over her sleeve.

"You mean to insinuate--" I began crossly. "Nothing at all."

"I don't think Miss Allemand has brought you up at all nicely."

'What do you mean?" she said turning to me suddenly with a very severe face.

"Oh, nothing at all." "You are very stupid."

"That isn't the way to speak to your ma's guests."

She scrutinized me. "I don't see what that girl could see

in you, she murmured. "What girl?" I queried eagerly.

She shook her head.

"I oughtn't to have said that." "But you did say it! And I insist on hearing to whom you referred."

She pouted. "Will you promise not to tell?" she replied, after a little pause, her face suddenly lighting up with a roguist

"I promise." I watched the dimple growing or her cheek. She gave a little burst o'

"Mary Vandyke was here his after noon." "Oh!"

"She is my dearest friend."

"How nice for her."

"We have no secrets from one another," said Molly, becoming very serious. "Haven't you?"

My mind rushed helter-skelter through the past. Molly kept her bright eyes on mine, and I saw the dimple come and go.

"She tells me everything.

Her smile deepened.
"Really?" I said, fidgeting. "About the regatta, for instance." I looked at her for a moment. She

nodded gravely. "It isn't true-upon my honor in isn't."

I felt I was reddening.

"And what you said!" "I assure you I didn't."

"And what you-did." "I deny it."

"It's all right," said Molly, consol ingly. "She's very fond of you."

I gasped. 'I don't care two pins about her.' "How can you say so?" asked Molly reproachfully-"after all that has oc curred between you."

"Nothing has occurred," I cried, des spairingly.

"And the letters you have written." "I never wrote any letters."

"I have read them."

"She had no right to show you those Ictters." "Oh, but I assure you it was it

strict confidence." "I don't remember in the least wha

"I do," she struck in quickly. "You said your heart was a boat moored in

the light of her eyes, and-"Hush!" I looked around apprehensively. "I thought it so pretty," went or

Molly. "And then there was tha

poem beginning ---

She laughed again. It was strange that a weak woman should rejoice in a strong man's agony.

"Of course I don't care for her," I

said boldly, trying to make a stand.

"Of course I don't believe that."

"Not flirted," I said, weakly.

"Oh, indeed," repeated Molly.

"It was only in fun. She knew it

"Oh, no, she doesn't," she respond-

"She told me so. She told me you

"You are teasing me," I said crossly.

"It can't be true. Say it isn't true?"

"I wish you would," I said, earnest-

"It's no use talking," said Molly

"Why didn't you tell her I was en

"You know what I mean. From the

way you speak, one might imagine 1

The truth is there wasn't a decent

"Except Mary," echoed Molly sar-

"Well, she isn't bad looking in the

"You must save me from her," I

"You must tell her I am already en-

"To whom?" asked Molly, her color

Molly's eyes were fixed on her plate

"Her name?" she asked in a low

"Surely you can guess," I whis-

"But I tell you it is. I won't marry

"Perhaps she wouldn't have you,"

she said with a mischievous look in

"She came to me to say that some-

body else had proposed to her and to

cried with a sudden

was a flirt."
"Um—yes," murmured Molly.

looking girl there except-

"How can I do that?"

"To-the only girl I love."

"Am I indeed? Wait and see."

"She thinks you are in

The dimple began to dawn again.

"What do you mean?"

have looked at her."

"Nonsense," I cried.

had practically proposed."

be responsible for you!"

You must face the music."

Molly, looking serious.

was only in fun."

ed, gaily.

earnest."

aughter.

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have done."

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gaged."

voice.

pered.

her eyes.

sense of relief.

ask my advice."

on, looking down.

said Molly, hastily.

her chair.

vinely.

"Well."

"Yes?"

must."

said after a pause.

rising slightly.

"Nonsense!"

Her color deepened.

"Please don't be absurd."

"It is the only way."

"But you said-"

"I was only teasing you."

Molly toyed with a grape.

"I advised her to-

"Accept the other man."

"Molly, you dear girl!"

She turned and smiled.

"What a silly boy it is!"

"I consider we are engaged."

"Say just one word," I urged.

hands beneath the tablecloth.

By great luck I caught one of her

"There's the signal. I must go,"

"Do you know the little conserva-

Horse That Wears Specs.

can't see a yard in front of his nose

unless he has on his "specs." Queen

sight, a horse with nose glasses. But

Toby-that's what they christened him

-takes his affliction and his specta

cles as a very matter of fact thing, and

has suffered from myopia for two

years. Veterinary surgeons recom

mended some kind of glasses. Toby

got them and wears them. He own

the unique distinction of being the on

ly four-footed animal in the world

Appearance Against Him.

Cabby-Have a cab, sir? Take you

His Jags-Why, my dear-hic-

friend, if I was to go home in a cat

m' wife an' all the-hic-neighbors

would think I was 'toxicated .- St.

equipped with spectacles.

Louis Globe Democrat.

home, sir?

'ault.'

Molly pursed her lips.

with her because "

"Because?"

know."

here?"

suffer much from his dyspepsia? Mrs Akinside Yes, but not half as much as the rest of us do.-New York Journal.

Mrs. Askington-Does your husband

### A QUICK SURRENDER.

BY HAL FOSTER HARRINGTON.

Amy Willis took up her assignment slip, and read, "Go to South Carolina; get a story of the storm of the 5th, "But you must believe it," I cried desperately. "I only flirted a little from inhabitants of rice plantations on the C- River."

Promptly, but with the unruffled air "Well, you weren't there, you of the tired journalist, she left the office. "Oh, indeed!" She looked at me

At 6 p. m. she was comfortably setseverely. You mean you would have tled in a south bound car. In her flirted with me instead if I had been heart was unalloyed pleasure. First, she was returning to her home and people: second, it was a professional honor to be chosen to go on this "If you had been there, I wouldn't mission. Perhaps her hard work was to bear fruit at last. Third, she was pleased to be rid of a certain importunate wooer. She was sure he would ake the firm "No," she had written him only yesterday, as final, and it would be a relief to both of them to be out of each other's way for a time. It was a glorious winter day in the

South. Crisp, fresh, inspiring. Down the old avenue of oaks came a queer looking equipage. Four boards on four immensely high wheels surmounted by a shaky seat, com-

posed the "dog-cart" as its owner call-She gave another little burst of ed it. Why, she alone knew. It was drawn by a gaunt white plough-"Of course you don't mind," I said, horse, who fell over himself at every bitterly; "though it was all your

Sitting on the shaky elevation was "My fault!" cried Molly. "Well, or an old lady, wrapped in a green plaid shawl. On her head was a bonnet "Why weren't you at the regatta, known in that part of the country as then?" I asked. "You see what you a "chicken." It resembled a shaker's headgear. She sat as firmly erect as "I take no responsibility," said Mol-Miss Betsy Trotwood of stately memlie hotly. "Good gracious; if I had to ory.

By her side, looking like a blithe young robin in suit of brown and red, sat Miss Willis-special correspondent for the Times. She held the reins and appeared lost in contemplation of the horse. To complete the picture, a small darkey sat in back "What, another of them!" cried of the vehicle. He presented a unique appearance. Arrayed in a profusion of rags many sizes too large for him, he sat with his bare skinny legs dangling from the "dog-cart."

Suddenly there was a dull thud. Presto! the darky boy flat in the road.

"What's the matter?" asked the stately lady. She was a trifle deaf. "Oh, dear! you ought not to mind Molly turned her head away a trifle him; he always goes to sleep, and falls out.'

"What do you do then?"

"Oh, nothing. He picks himself up and runs after us. The sand is so deep he can't hurt himself. I'm sorry, dear, I'm afraid you will find it hard to start Martha.'

Martha was the horse.

"Why?" "Oh! she always takes a nap when

she's stopped." "What do you do then?"

"Oh! I generally bring my knitting,

and then it is pleasant to watch the pines nod to each other. It's so peace-"Well, you're a peaceful lot, Sam

and Martha sleeping, and you blessed thing, you watching the trees," muttered the reporter with a groan and a laugh. She was due in an hour's time for

an interview with the owner of a plantation four miles away. At this rate of progress she would arrive a week hence.

"Go on, Martha Washington," she commanded. Martha was obdurate. Interviews and irate editors were beneath her notice. The journalist

screamed herself hoarse.
"Don't get so excited," begged her companion. "Martha will wake up

soon; she always wakes up, doesn't she, Sam?"

"So it won't be necessary for you to get engaged to any one else," she went "She wake up fer troo, ma'am, dat horse got sense." "Molly, you know I love you."
"Hush!" she whispered.

Fired by this timely compliment, Martha gave a lurch which sent Sam "Won't you Molly-Oh, Molly, you flying out on his head, and jogged heavily on. Amy grew hopeful. She had forgotten at the end of a mile, her companion was to be left at a friend's house. This necessitated Martha's stopping for so long that she fell into a sleep which promised to be eternal. Miss Willis groaned and prayed alternately.

Just as hope became extinct, the white animal roused again.

tory?" she murmured, pushing back Another mile was traversed. Amy's hopes aroused once more. Perhaps I opened the door. As she went out Martha would arrive at their destina-I caught her eye; she blushed dition without "falling asleep" again. Vain hope. Just then the quadruped stopped and breathed heavily. Among the wonders of Surrey, which on, you shall go on, you must!" is a suburb of Londontown, is a horse shricked the newspaper maiden in that wears spectacles, says an ex high staccato. Martha was oblivious change. He wears them for a purpose to threats. too, for his eyesight is so dim that he

Amy was in despair. "What will make this horse go, Sam? Tell me and I'll give you a four-bladed knife with a saw."

Sam was not above bribery. "Ef you won't tole missus, I'il tole yer, miss. Stick a pin in dat hoss, goes about his daily duties calmly. He

dat mek him go, sure." "Sam, you are a wicked boy. I'll try it. Everything must be sacrificed

to a story." She took her hat pin, and kneeling own, deftly began to probe the sleep-

g animal. A shout of laughter oused her. Glancing in the direction the sound, she saw a young man nerging from the woods. She dropd the pin. "You?" she asked. Her ones were not conciliatory. He did ot notice that fact. He advanced to e side of the vehicle.

"I beg your pardon, but if I miske not I read an article in the Times few weeks ago under the head of 'ruelty to Animals. It moved me to ears. It was signed A. W. I am leased to note that you practice as you preach, Miss Willis."

Miss Willis did not smile. She spoke plainly. "I was so happy this morning. I might have known it could not last. What in mercy's name,

brings you to these parts?" "I am hunting the deer," answered the audacious youth.

"Deer are apt to frequent the highway." This with great dignity.

"Exactly, so I notice, in these parts. But may I ask what you, this flery steed, and your outrider, are doing here? Are you on business or pleasure?'

"Oh! business, if I ever get there. Mr. Hood was to meet me at three o'clock to-day to describe to me the breaking of his rice banks."

"The very man I'm after. Suppose you take me along," suggested this wily creature.

"You may get in, I suppose, if you really have business with him. Not that it will do you any good. I expect to sit here until Gabriel awakens Sam and Martha."

"I'll readily keep you company until then."

He climbed in and took the reins. Martha no sooner felt a maşculine control than she roused up, and took to her heels. To the astonishment of Amy, and ecstasy of Sam, the old horse fairly flew.

Another mile was quickly traversed. "Why! the road is covered with water, it's a mill branch, surely," suddenly wailed Amy. "Oh! dear, troubles never come singly, first you, and now this."

"Don't be rude, Miss Willis. You may yet live to bless my appearance on the scene. Shall we proceed?"

'Yes, go on. I must get that story." Into the water went the horse and vehicle. Sam remained on dry land. His life might not appear more valuable than others. It was more so to him. He was soon asleep. In an instant he was aroused by a woman's shriek, a man's muttered imprecation, and the noise of rending wood. He stood up to see Martha walking from the water with the shafts and dashboard of the "dog-cart" behind her. Miss Willis was left in the remainder of the vehicle, in the centre of the stream

Nothing could be seen of the young man but his boots. He had taken a header into the water.

He emerged in an instant, mad and dirty. At sight of him, Amy's grief was turned to joy.

"What a joke! wait a minute till I sketch you. Oh! what a story for the Times. Great head lines. The editor of our esteemed contemporary, the Evening Screamer, on an investigating tour of the mud washed up by the recent Southern storms." The young man waited patiently.

His hour had come and he knew it. "When you are through with your

sketch and laugh, Miss Willis, will you kindly tell me how you expect to get out of this place? Your perch to say the least is insecure." She glanced at the muddy water. It would surely reach to her waist. She

blushed furiously. "I am sure I don't know. You, being a man, are supposed to come to the rescue, are you not?" she answer-

ed with an attempt at her usual innocence. He smiled a little. "You flatter me in mistaking me for a saint. For years you have meta-

horically kicked and buffeted me about. My day has now arrived. Before I take you from your perilous position, tell me, was that 'No,' you sent me a week ago, final?" "Certainly." this with all the dig-

nity compatible with the situation. "Your reason?" "I prefer my liberty to anything

else in the world." "Ah, I admire your independent soul. Adieu, Miss Willis. May your loved liberty avail you much." With a melodramatic flourish, he de-

parted. "Come back, oh, take me out of this," she wailed.

"Certainly not, I have been well brought up. Nothing would induce me to take any woman but my afflanced wife in my arms I assure you. You surprise me."

She was angry, amazed, but above all, plucky. "Go, your ungentlemanly conduct will make another story for our paper.

will walk through the water.' She gathered her skirts together. He

felt the day slipping from him. He played his last card. "My! what quantities of water-

snakes," he remarked with deepest interest. His card was a trump. With

a shriek she sank back. "Snakes! Tom, please, please, dear Tom come back."

He was there in a flash. He held out his arms. "Will you marry me?"

"Yes, oh, yes." "Not if you dislike me." "I don't dislike you and-and you

know it." He promptly bore her to land. As he placed her on the ground he murmured dreamily,-

"You ought to read up on snakes. It seems to me that as a youngster I learned that they hibernated in win-

#### Victoria Pudding. Victoria pudding is a dish very common at English tables, and is made

from boiled potatoes. Pass them, while hot and in the mealy stage, through a sieve, and mix with them a little butter, sugar, two eggs to six mediumsized potatoes, three tablespoonfuls of cream, and the grated rind of a lemon. A pudding-dish is buttered and preserved plums or peaches spread on the bottom. The potato pudding is poured over and baked in a moderate oven. Serve hot with powdered sugar sprinkled over the top.

#### NEW YORK LETTER.

Sol Smith Russell is one of the actors who had been looking for many years for a good play. He has had many which partly suited him and in which the unique charm of his person ality atoned for lack of interest in the drama. This year Martha Morton wrote him "A Bachelor's Romance," and Mr. Russell played it for many weeks at the Garden Theater, Manhat tan. It was generally agreed to be the best play, on the whole, which he has had, and Mr. Russell has dropped his list of dramas and is devoting his entire season to "A Bachelor's Ro mance." The play is thoroughly American of course. Mr. Russell has tried several un-American parts, among them Bob Acres, but he has never proved successful in making them



SOL SMITH RUSSELL.

seem real, and he is likely to continue in parts in which his own strongly marked characteristics are appropriate. David Holmes, the bachelor of this story, is a middle aged editor of a magazine, much in love with his young ward, Sylvia. The girl loves David, of course-no girl could help it when David is Mr. Russell-but not at all as she loves young Harold Rey. nolds. David learns this and about the same time learns that Harold is a competitor for a \$10,000 prize which his magazine has offered. He is the judge and Harold's manuscript is good. If he gets the prize he will be able to marry Sylvia; if he doesn't there is a possible chance for the bach elor. The young man gets the prize and the girl-and the bachelor gets the audience. No one can doubt Mr. Rus sell's complete fitness to express every thing which the author may have given him in the plot.

#### Disinfecting Library Books.

When the New York Public Library moves into the building of the future on the present site of the reservoir in Bryant Park it will be a circulating li brary. All citizens of New York wil. have the privilege of taking books to their homes. Each book, upon its re turn from the people to the library, is to be put through a process of fumi gation sterilization, warranted to de stroy all microbes and bacilli, however latent.

This system has been approved by Dr. John S. Billings, director of the li brary, who conducted a series of ex periments in the Horton laboratory in

Philadelphia. A number of old Patent Office re ports were inoculated with bacteria and in a short time the books were full of germs of measles, scarlet fever smallpox and other diseases. Trial: were then made of various germ-de stroying substances, and as a result of the experiments Dr. Billings says that he has a perfect disinfectant in the gas formaldehyde. The volume is placed in a glass or metal box, with a solution of formalin in water, and leffor an hour or two. At the end of that time the vapor has penetrated into every particle of the book and not a

live germ can be found. Bibliophile will be glad to know that the formalin will destroy the Crotor bug, responsible for the ruin of se many fine bindings in this country The traditional book worm is now rarity in America, but the Croton bus has taken its place, and the collecto. of rare volumes has in Dr. Billings discovery a preventive of the ravage that the insect's passion for morocco and calfskin causes.

It is difficult to get the people in New York to use the name "Manhat tan" when speaking of that part o the city which is on Manhattan Island Brooklynites are now residents of Nev York, but when they are about to cross the bridge they always speak o it as going, not to "Manhattan," but to "New York." The Brooklyn stree cars that cross the bridge carry sign "direct to New York." Is, then, Man hattan still to be New York, as of old in all except official language?

New York has expended \$5,000,000 for a speedway for fast horses and now it is prepared to spend \$800,000 fo a speedway for bicycles. Plans have been drawn for such a speedway alons the road connecting the Bronx and Pelham Parks. Wheelmen number 600.000 in New York, or one-fifth of th. entire population. The wheelmer should have their speedway. New York may well be proud of a

police force that has 400 men more than six feet tall. The Broadway squad ninety giants, picked from this regi ment of giants, will divide the honor with the "sky-scrapers" in the eye of open-mouthed strangers wandering up Broadway. Cyrus THORP. | which are beyond description.

LACE APPLIQUE TO HAVE ITS REIGN

Sashes of All Kinds, Both for the Necl and Waist in Favor.

(By special arrangement with the N.Y. Sun) Dame Fashion always presents some disturbing elements, or suggestions like the bustle, crinoline, or long trains on street gowns, each season, just to excite interest and the spirit of opposition in women, and this time it is the sloping shoulder, which no one can contemplate with any degree of satisfaction. The long shoulder seam reaching down on to the arm hampers our movements and is altogether un



comfortable, but it is safe to assume, from previous revivals of old-time modes, that when this condition does come about modern ingenuity will have devised some means of giving the appearance of sloping shoulders without the discomfort. We have been threatened with the bustle, too; but while the skirt is so close fitting around the hips it cannot materialize in any very extensive proportions.

In all the details of dress we can indulge our fancies to the utmost, as trimmings of every sort are to be worn, and the advance importations show a variety in colors and kinds never surpassed. Black braid, black satin, and velvet ribbon are to be very much used for trimming the new spring gowns of wool and net; and garnitures in the form of yokes, bole-



ros, and skirt panels are shown in a great variety, made of silk and mohair braid, silk and jetted net and chiffon, and gorgeously jewelled lace. Bands of Honiton lace applique, on chiffon and net foundation, studded here and there with tiny spangles, are among the novelties. Lace appplique of any sort is the vogue, and, if properly applied, it is sure to be an artistic trimming. Applique sprays are sewn on velvet, satin, and silk, as well as chiffon and net, of which yokes and vests are made, and the one point to be considered in the use of applique lace is that the material to which it is applied shall be fine and handsome. Wide Cluny lace insertion is used to trim fancy waists of white chiffon, and there seems to be a preference for the Honiton variety of lace this season. Yak laces have also put in an appearance again.



are well to the front in fashion, and the new ribbons are more beautiful than ever. There are Roman stripes, checks and plaids, with satin bordered edges, and flowered, corded, and watered ribbons of all kinds. Net, chiffon, and lace sashes will continue favor; but it is not alone sashes for the waist that swell the list. The sashes for the neck are quite as con spicuous and more generally worn, fo all women seem to like the long silke cravats around their throats. The are made of liberty gauze, chiffon and thin silk, or of Swiss, with hemstitched and lace-trimmed ends. The newest of these neck sashes is a scarf of net with an elaborate lace pattern at the ends and an edge all around. They range in price from \$4 to \$15, and are really very elegant. In smaller things for the neck there is unlimited variety. Short bows and knotted cravats of pure white lawn, with knife-plaited trills on the ends, are added to an ar ray of lace knots and neck frills.

CAIN'S WIFE

Where did he get her?
Who was her brother?
Had she a sister?
Had she a most er?
Was she pre-Ad one
Born before history—
With her identity
Shrouded in mystery.

Shrouded in myster,? Maid of Phoenicia, Egypt, Arabia, Africa, India, Or sun-kissed Sanbia? Who was her father? Was he a viking

Cruising about
Just to his liking;
Out of the Whenceness
Over the water
Into the Where

Bringing his daughter?
Native of Norway,
Denmark or Swede ,
Lured by the charms
Of the garden of Eden?
Blonde or brunette?

Rounded or slender? Fiery or frigid? Haughty or tender? Why are her graces Unknown to fame? Where did Cain meet he

Where did Cain meet her?
What was her name?
Tell me, ye sages,
Students of Life.

Answer my query— Who was Cain's wife?—S, T. C.

#### THE ARTIST'S PUPIL

It was the Lady Clara Curzon's first London season. Six months before, she had romped in the nursery adorned with a pinafore and pigtail but now she was bursting the bud and developing into a society rose of the fairest blush. To effect this development her mother, the Duchess of Bracering, a celebrated beauty in her time, had sacrificed much, though, like the Spartans of old, she - concealed the troubles which gnawed at her vitals with quiet dignity and considerable tact. Every one hazarded that a break-up of some kind must sooner or later take place, for the ducal estates were heavily encumbered, and the financial position of the noble family was becoming more and more rotten at the core. Of this little Lady Clara knew nothing. Her buoyant young heart was entirely free from the weighty considerations which engaged her unfortunate parent. The pinafore and pigtail had been good enough for her, and beyond a childish appreciation of fine feathers, she nad treated her court attire with little respect. She had inherited romance-an affliction worse than the gout, her mother said-from wayward arcestors who had wedded where eyes and heart and not reason had dictated; hence the fragile state of the family purse from which the duchess, herself veined with spotless tracings of effete blue, had

now to suffer.

"I mean to marry some one who is talented and artistic," Lady Clara announced, when suitors were talked of; "not a popinjay who will divide his affections between me and a racing sta-

She echoed this from her friend El-

ems had entitled her to a prominent position among the select coterie known as "Souls."

The allusion to the racing stable poked at a jaunty young duke who was first favorite in her mother's calculations. Second in the running came a millionaire, son of a prosperous manufacturer, whose name was ignored by Lady Clara, in spite of its oft-repeated emblazonment on boardings and advertisement sheets. The youth himself, who was not "in society." was privately known to the Duchess of Bracering, in consequence of certain mortgaging transactions wherein the aristocratic signatures of the lady and the clerklike autograph of his father sat cheek by jowl. Mr. Blakewell junior was in fact a solicitor, though a sleeping partner in the paternal concern, and he was professionally aware of one or two harrowing details in the Bracerings' financial history. Painfully aware, too, because alas! he had, like the cats who look unreservedly at kings, taken in every beautiful line of Lady Clara's young beauty; because he had gazed on her from afar-at the opera, the Savoy, Niagara; because, wherever money could carry him, there he had been for the express purpose of feast-

ever looked upon to love.

When, therefore, the contumacious Clara twisted her pert little nose at the horsey duke, her parent's distressed thoughts rebounded to the manufacturer, for his calling of the law she looked upon as merely a seemly veil to cover the aggressive complexion of the world-famed trade.

ing his eyes on the one object he had

"You might marry a wealthy parvenu who would set the old house on its legs again," the lady ventured to him. "Remember that your face is your only fortune, my darling."

"And a very nice face, too. I mean to marry some one who'll appreciate it—paint it, or sing odes to it—anything but plant it at the head of a table like an idealized 'Aunt Sally' for people to fling compliments at;" and Lady Clara danced off with Miss Raymond to sit for a picture that Selwin Forrest, A. R. A., was in act of retouching.

Between the artist and Eldred, Lady Clara's views were taking a Bohemian turn, highly disconcerting to her unhappy mamma, and, during the Duchess' next interview with the solicitor she made haste to bemoan her daughter's vagaries. She has almost promised an introduction, and in the present state of affairs was duly aware that the manufacturers' son stood little chance, and, moreover, that any at tempts at coercion might make the al ready restive little filly totally ungovernables.

"It was the greatest mistake having her portrait painted," she groaned "my child has picked up the studio jar gon, and raves about 'values,' and al that kind of rubbish."

The solicitor blushed deeply; he understood his client's timely bint—the almost apology for his disappointment that lurked in her speech.

"If Lady Clara should change," he said, passing his fingers through the crisp crinkles of his hair, and looking earnestly across the table.

"I should be happy to ask you to Ringtowers, to introduce you—"

"As a friend?" he questioned.

"As a friend," the lady echoed.

"And if"—he blushed again—"if," he

stammered.

"If," said the Duchess, composedly, lifting her eyes from a—to her—odious box that contained some documents relating to family debts, "if then you succeeded in winning my daughter's

friendship, affection, well, you would have my good wishes,"

She held out her hand, and the young man—he was romantic and in love—bent and kissed the thin gloved fingers.

"Thank you," he said simply.

"But she won't change," the Duchess said, in parting; "my suggestion was purely hypothetical. She is on guard; the bare suspicion of trade or money sets her off at a tangent."

Some weeks later the august lady condescended to eavesdropping. She was driven to it by the marked change in her daughter's manner, by the lengthy confabulations which invariably took place between the girl friends after their periodical visit to the studio—visits which seemed to have been repeated unnecessarily often of late.

"He said he admired my picture from the first day it was outlined in charcoal," Lady Clara was explaining to her chum; "he tried to copy it before he knew me."

"Mr. Forrest ought not to have introduced him. Your mother would be horrified."

"But he didn't; I remember well, it is just three weeks ago—the day you weren't well enough to go with me. Mr. Forrest apologized, explained that his pupil ought not to be there, had made a mistake in the day, and he was sending him away. Then I said there was no reason why he should \_o, and so Jock stayed and painted in a distant corner."

'And how did you know his name was Jock?"

"Oh, because I heard him called so. You know the picture 'Jock o'Haseldine'? He sat for it to oblige Mr. Forest. He is my Jock, now—I am sure of it; if only we were alone, we might tell each other all that our eyes have been saying."

"Oh, eyes talk quite enough," said Miss Raymond; "too much, I should say, from what I saw this morning."

The eavesdropper did not wait to hear more. She rushed down stairs, intending to write to Mr. Forrest and make a pretext by which the sittings should be abandoned. But, pen in hand, she changed her mind. Any such action would prove the eavesdropping:

she must act openly and surprise the situation. The next morning nearly an hour after her daughter's departure for the studio, the ducal carriage arrived at the artist's house. The irate parent sped through the doorway, and made straight for the studio. She meant to confront the wretched upstart who had undermined her daughter's heart and give the painter—old enough, she had thought, to be trusted—a lesson to be remembered.

As she swept into the remembered.

As she swept into the room, her angry eyes focussed the tableau in an painter at his easel; Eldred by a stove; draperies—on the model's throne; the instant. Her child—exquisite in lawn reading; and hunched up on a low stool, with his velveteen clad back turned, and his knees supporting his water-color block, the hateful pupil.

At the burst of the opening door the painter and Lady Clara simultaneously looked up, and the latter grew pale to the lip. She saw the pent storm on her mother's eyebrows, and, by an unreasoned impulse, jumped from the throne and placed herself before the object of her adoration with an air of protection—of defiance.

Suddenly Her Grace of Bracering stood transfixed, and the art pupil, who had hurriedly risen, blushed and bowed with difference.

Mr. Forrest came to the rescue.

"This gentleman is my pupil. As his time is limited, your daughter was good enough to say he need not discontinue his work on her account."

To Clara's amazement her parent smiled. "Very considerate my daughter," she said; "her love of art overrides the con-

"Very considerate my daughter," she said; "her love of art overrides the convenances. Fortunately M. Blakewell and I are acquainted—though I was not aware of his talent," she pointedly added.

Then they shook hands.

"I was scarcely aware of it myself," Blakewell said, awkwardly, "till—till about three weeks ago. My friend Forest advised me to rake up my paints and go on with, some early work and with—with kind encouragement"—he threw a worshipful eye on Lady Clara—"I"—"

"The object of my visit," the dutchess interrupted, "is to say that we are unexedly called to Ringtowers; we leave to-night."

Clara's face, which had partially cleared, became gray with consternation.

"But Mr. Forrest's picture," she cried, tremulously.

"It can be brought down there if he likes."
"Thank you," the artist accepted.

uneasily.

"And Mr.—Mr."—Clara began, with big tears magnifying her eyes—"what

will he do?"

"Oh, Mr. Forrest is welcome to bring
his pupil with him. Mr. Blackwell.
will you accept Lady Clara's invita

The best husband on earth is none too good.

tion to Ringtowers?"

SHE TRIED TO UNDO HANNA,

Mrs. John E. Griffith Entered Ohio Politics to Defeat the Senator.

Mrs. John E. Griffith was in Ohio politics during Senator Hanna's fight for re-election. Her political career was brief, exciting, and so far as her cause was concerned, useless. Mrs. Griffith's husband is a Representative from Marysville, and notwithstanding the instructions of his constituents, he decided to vote against Senator Hanna. Later he seemed convinced that this course would be wrong, and so joined the Hanna column. 'Twas then Mrs. Griffith jumped into the arena. She was cajoled, kidnapped, threatened, but to no purpose. Griffith resented the persuasion that had beeen attempted on his wife, and came out in a pubtic card declaring it his intention to ote against Mr. Hanna notwithstandng he had been pledged by his contituents in the Convention that nomnated him.

But eventually, when the Legislature ame to a ballot, Griffith voted for Janna, Mrs. Griffith holding firm in her opposition to the last.

This affair recalls the memorable pendleton-Payne contest a few years 190, when John R. McLean was a spirit in the fight. It was said that nost of the deals for wavering Legisators then were made with their vives. It is a remarkable fact that offer the fight some of the Legislators who had lived all their lives in comparative poverty became possessed of uddenly acquired wealth.



MRS. JOHN E. GRIFFITH.

One Legislator's wife built a \$10,000 nouse and furnshed it sumptuously; unother, ostensbly very unexpectedly, 'ell heir to an estate in England, and the, too, moved into a more imposing esidence. A Legislator who is said to nave been approached with a proposition from one of the opposing elements in the fight, said:—

"I cannot talk about it; you must see ny wife."

His wife was seen, and the family is aid to have been well to do ever since. Heretofore, it is said, the price of a rote in the Ohio Legislature for the

United States Senatorship has been 15,000, but the advent of women in the political contest has been the means of raising the limit to \$7,000.

TRAIT OF YANKEE INVENTIONS.

What a Frenchman Noted in Traveling Through Our Country. A French engineer who has been on

tour of inspection in the States was tot impressed by the big things of the ountry. "I shall report to my Gov-rnment," says he "that the biggest hings in America are the little things. The French people are experts in donestic economy, and live comfortably y saving what average families in the itates throw away. But Americans re, on the other hand, experts in inustrial economy. They make money y saving wastage in business and lose ome of it by wastage in domestic conomy. The attention paid to small letailis in big works is amazing to ae; I have visited some establishments vhere I believe that the profits are nade not in the manufacture proper, out in the saving of materials and lafor by close attention to details that ere with us unconsidered trifles. For xample, I saw a little grindstone in peration at a big works automatically harpening lathe and planer tools. this machine costs probably as much is a hundred of our ordinary grindtones cost, but I see that it automatcally grinds all the tools for three jundred high-priced machanics, and t only works a few hours each day. the skilled mechanics in our country requently stop their regular work to grind their own tools, and then they lo it imperfectly. In the States tools ire all accurately ground to the best hape by the machine, so that they lo more and better work on this acount in a given time. I believe that hat machine has brains—the brains of the inventor-and it has no doubt evolutionized work of this kind in American machine shops. This is out one case out of many that I have toted."-Invention.

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### MILLIONS FOR DEFENSE

Mr. Cannon Introduces a Bill Appropriating \$50,000,000.

#### WILL BE PASSED AT ONCE

Result of a Conference with the President at the White House-House Passes the Bill Providing for Two Additional Reg-

Washington, March Cannon, of the Appropriations Committee, yesterday introduced a bill entitled "Making Appropriations for the National Defense." It is as follows:

"That there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the national defense and for each and every purpose connected therewith, to be expended at the discretion of the President, and to remain available until June 30, 1899, fifty million dollars."

It was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Cannon had an interview with the President in the morning, and at tts conclusion went to the Capitol and called a special meeting of the Appro-

priations Committee. After this meet-

ing Mr. Cannon introduced the National Defense bill in the House. The bill will be passed at once. This can be stated on the highest authority.

#### ARTILLERY BILL PASSED.

#### House Adopts the Measure to Create Two Additional Regiments.

Washington, March 8.-The House immediately on meeting yesterday took up the bill providing for two additional artillery regiments, and passed it almost unanimously on a viva voce

There seemed to be but three votes in the negative: Cox, of Tennessee; Jones, of Virginia; and one other who could not be located.

The debate developed nothing exciting, but there was a great outburst of enthusiasm when Mr. Hay (Dem., Va.) declared that he stood ready to vote for any measure to prepare for the emergency which confronted the coun-

When Congress assembled there was evidence of general excitement immediately after the reading of the journal in the house Chairman Hull, of the Military Committee, moved to take up the Artillery bill. Republicans, Democrats and Populists acquiesced. It required a two-third vote to pass the bill under suspension of the rules.

No effort was made to obstruct ac-

tion, though there was a desire to extend debate beyond the forty minutes allowed under the rules, the purpose apparently being to give members an opportunity to go on record for the measure as an emergency proposition. There was no extension of time, however. Neither Mr. Bailey nor any leading democrat uttered a word of opposition.

To Mr. Cox, of Tennessee, was assigned the twenty minutes' time of the opposition, and that proved to be as much as he could consume. He opposed the bill in a ten-minute speech, which was interrupted by Democrats, and then yielded ten minutes to Jones, of Virginia, who spoke against the measure. This ended the opposition.

#### MONEY WILL BE PROVIDED.

#### Senator Hale Advises Secretary Long to Buy Warships if Necessary.

Washington, March 8 .- Senator Hale, chairman of the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, and also chairman of the Sub-Committee on Appropriations, said vesterday that he had suggested to Secretary Long, of the Navy Department, the advisability of making the purchase of any supplies which might be considered necessary in the event of a war with the understanding that the funds for them would be provided by Con-

The Senator said that large quantities of coal had already been practically secured for shipment to Key West, and he had no doubt that the Secretary would extend the policy by contracting for warships and ammunition if necessary.

"I hardly think, however," he said, "that it will become necessary, for I hope that there will be no war. Furthermore, I doubt the report that Spain has purchased any warships. But be that as it may, no precaution will be left untaken by this country to insure a proper protection of our interests in any contingency. I have agreed with those who have advised against special appropriation bills for the purchase of supplies, because I think the Secretary has sufficient authority now to make any purchase necessary, and if he finds it necessary to expend more funds than he has these will be supplied in the general deficiency or some other general appropriation bill."

#### ACTIVITY AT DOVER.

#### A Train-Load of Ammunition Shipped from There Every Night.

New York, March 8.—The Delaware. Lackawanna and Western Railroad during the last week has shipped over 50.000 tons of gunpowder and ammunition from the Government storehouses at Dover, N. J. Secret orders have been received from Washington for the railroad to place a special train at the disposal of the Government to carry ammunition from Dover in the event of war. It is proposed to sidetrack cars at Dover and run them direct to the Government stores, which are located about three miles from Dover.

Orders have also been received by the Government officials at Dover not to allow anybody to visit the Government reservation until further orders. A Government officer is on guard at the gate, both day and night, and inter-

cepts all intruders. How much powder and ammunition is stored at Dover is known only to the officials of the War Department in Washington. There are twelve store houses on the reservation that are all filled with gunpowder, dynamite, projectiles and ammunition. During the past week a train load of ammunition has left Dover each night of the week Upon its arrival in Hoboken the ammunition was placed on Government lighters and taken to the coast fortiCRAMP HINTS AT BUNCO GAME.

Says Speculators Want to Unload Chea-Vessels on the United States.

Philadelphia, March 8 .- Charles H. Cramp, head of the shipbuilding firm of Cramp & Sons, declares that the widespread talk of Spain buying warships abroad and the obtaining of op-tions on these ships by the United States is part of a scheme instigated by a syndicate of adventurers. Their purpose, he said, is to secure big commissions by helping English and German ship builders to unload on this Government many unsalable vessels built either on spectulation or by contract with minor governments that are

not able to pay for them. Said Mr. Cramp: "The total valuation of the ships involved in the deal is about \$15,000,000. The commissions which the speculative syndicate would receive for disposing of them to the United States would be about 15 per cent. of the selling price, or, say, \$2,-225,000 on the whole lot."

Mr. Cramp said the syndicate is composed of an Anglo-American manufacturing concern in England, one of the most noted contract brokers in New York city and certain concerns engaged in the manufacture of ordnance materials in this country and abroad.

#### IT IS ALL SPAIN'S FAULT.

#### Must Not Blame McKinley for Her Awkward Position Regarding Lee.

London, March 8.-4 A. M.-The Times says editorially this morning:

"If Spain is placed in an awkward position respecting the Lee incident she must thank the indiscretion of her Foreign Office. She cannot blame President McKinley.

"Mr. Cannon's bill can hardly be explained by the Lee incident. It is probable that Spain is purchasing war vessels.

"We do not believe that Spain desires war, but if she does, this evidence of America's alertness offers a most effectual check. President McKinley appears to be adhering loyally to the policy of firmness, caution and pacific circumspection he has hitherto pursued.

"No doubt he has the support of the sober and conscientious mass of the American people, but has had to face outbursts of popular clamor that a weaker man might have mistaken for the voice of the country."

#### WASHINGTON WELL GUARDED.

#### Hostile Warships Would Be Blown to Pieces in Chesapeake Bay.

Washington, March 8 .- The War Department has been working night and day ever since the Maine disaster to fortify the water approach to the capital. It is now asserted that if 100 hostile battleships steamed up Chesapeake Bay to bombard Washington every one would be blown to fragments before they came within shooting distance of Washington.

A formidable system of torpedoes and mines have been placed in the Poto-Fort Washington and mac River. Sheridan's Point have been converted into veritable Gibraltars by the establishment of batteries of concealed 10inch rifles and mortars. The work has been carried on swiftly and almost secretly, and since it has been progressing no one has been allowed to approach within many hundred yards of the fortifications without an order from the Secretary of War.

#### Three Outlaws Lynched.

Cheyenne, Wyoming, March 8.-Meagre details were received here last night of the lynching in the Henry Mountains near the Wyoming-Colorado boundary of three niembers of the "Robbers' Roost" band of outlaws which has been terrorizing that region for several years. The men lynched are Louis P. Johnson, F. Bemret and an unknown man. Two weeks ago are the armored cruisers which are be-Johnson murdered a boy named Willing built for the Argentine Republic iam Strong, at Valentine Hoy's ranch, Wyoming. Hoy headed a posse to pursue Johnson and was ambushed and killed Monday last. A posse of Hoy's friends, headed by Sheriff's deputies, continued the pursuit and caught three of the outlaws, who were promptly put

#### Relief Expedition in Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., March 8 .- The Gov-Alaska relief expedition, with the 537 reindeer and 113 Laplanders, which left New York last Tuesday, March 1, at 6 P. M., over the Pennsylvania Road to Chicago, where it took the St. Paul and Milwaukee to this city, here transferring to the Great Northern for the balance of the land journey, reached here at 5.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, having made the unprecedented time for freight trains of six days from coast to coast. The reindeer all stood the journey well. Laplander children kept the measles with them all the way from New York, reaching Seattle with the whole twenty-six suffering from that disease.

#### Senator Mills Withdraws.

Houston, Tex., March 8.-The Post prints a letter from United States Senator Mills in which he formally with-draws from the race for re-election. This leaves the field to Governor Culberson. Mr. Milis gives as the principal reason for his withdrawal, the reent action of the State Executive Committee, which made a stringent test for all persons desiring to participate in Democratic primaries and conventions. He also denies that he has deserted bimetallism.

#### Not Buying Warships Ourselves.

London, March 8.-The St. James' Gazette says: "The United States is not buying any war ships as long as she does not feel the need for any outside reinforcements. It is understood that the efforts of the United States representatives in England are not directed toward the purchase of war ships building, but to preventing Spain from purchasing them."

#### California's Oll Fields.

Los Angeles, Cai., March 8 .- Recent heavy contracts for petroleum made hi producers here with San Francisco firms, have encouraged the develor ment of the oil fields here. No less than twenty wells have been put do since the first of the present month at twelve more are being sunk.

### Advance in Price of Natis.

Cleveland, March 8.-Nails have advanced five cents a keg here. This the first effect of the wire nail combin

### SQUADRON NOT TO SAIL

The Spanish Torpedo Boats Will Remain at Cadiz.

#### DEPARTURE IS POSTPONED

r.... Pais Says That the Fleet Will Not "Sail Now, Nor at Any Time in the Future"-Gen. Woodford's Visits Mentioned.

London, March 9 .- Advices received here from Madrid say the Spanish tor-pedo squadron at Cadiz will not sail for Cuba, "owing to information received from the United States and Cantain-General Blanco."

The Pais, in confirming the statement that the departure of the torpedo squadron has been indefinitely jost-

"It would not be surprising were the event closely connected with the recent visits of General Woodford to Senor Gullon and Senor Sagasta. Every one may be assured that the squadron will neither sail now nor at any time in the future.'

#### NOTHING AGAINST LEE.

Spain Has Received No Complaint Regarding His Attitude.

Madrid, March 9 .- A semi-official note just issued declares that the Spanish Government has not received any complain regarding the attitude of General Fitzhugh Lee, the United States Consul-General at Havana, add-

"On the contrary, Captain-General Blanco affirms that General Lee's behavior has always been correct. Nevertheless, the incident serves to explain the origin of the ill will between the two countries. This is proved by he statements attributed to Secretary Sherman, by which the jingoes have created the belief in the United States that Spain is trying to provoke war, while at the same time engendering the feeling in Spain that it is the United States which demands the

opening of hostilities. "It is essential that this double game should be ended, in order to prevent the two countries from going to war without motives, and without either of them desiring it."

#### Assurances of Peace.

A semi-official news agency has issued the following announcement:

"After a brief uneasiness, there is a general belief now that peace will not be broken, and that the relations be tween Spain and the United States will continue amicable.

Political personages assert that the late sensational dispatches are completely wrong in attributing an aggressive tone to the diplomatic relations between the two governments, which have not for a single moment lost their friendly character."

#### TO BUY WARSHIPS.

Commander Brownson Has Absolute Carte Blanche.

Washington, March 9. - The most important feature of the day yesterday, aside from the Congress proceedings, was the departure of Commander Brownson of the Mavy for Europe with carte blanche orders to buy battlecruisers or torpedo boats in his individual judgment, and without waiting for instructions from the Secretary of the Navy. Before leaving Washington, Commander Brownson had decided with other officers and the Secretary that most of the vessels now offered for sale were antiquated and might not be considered.

The ships to which Commander Brownson will devote his attention first and Chili-one at Leghorn, in Italy, and one in England. Such ships, if the United States navy would be rated as second class battle ships. They are of about the same tonnage as the Maine and would carry about the same complement of men and guns, and, altogether, would be most desirable ves-

This country could purchase the two. but not either one singly. The rivalry between the Chilians and the people in the Argentine is too intense to permit of the existence of a government in either that would sell a ship while its rival was building one. It is well un-derstood, however, that this country can purchase both, and that it will do

#### Great Enthusiasm at Maine Benefit.

Washington, March 9 .- A crowd gathered outside the National Theatre yesterday afternoon half an hour before the beginning of the concert for the beenfit of the Maine sufferers, and when the President and Mrs. McKinley arrived there was a burst of cheers which was continued in the theatre. The President was obliged to come to the front of his box and to bow several times before the excitement subsided. Every seat in the house was filled, and estimated that about \$2,500 was cleared for the fund.

The audience was the most fashionable that has ever gathered in a Washington play house and the most American. The only foreigner present was Mr. Zelenry, the Secretary of the Russian Legation, who, when the little flags were sold by the prettiest girls in Washington, bought two and waved them with much enthusiasm.

#### Shot Dead by a Burglar.

Providence, R. I., March 9.-William O. Hutchins, a wealthy jewelry manufacturer and one of the best known of the younger business men in the city, was shot dead in front of his house by a robber about 7 o'clock last evening. The murderer got away, and there is no clue to his identity. The tragedy occurred in the heart of the fashionable residence part of the city. Mr. Hutchins was about thirty-three years of age. The entire detective force of the city is at work on the case.

#### Col. Morrison's Successor.

Washington, March 9 .- The President sent to the Senate yesterday the nomination of William J. Calhoun, of Illinois, to be an Interstate Commerce Commissioner. Mr. Calhoun, who succeeds Colonel William R. Morrison as Interstate Commerce Commissioner, is a lawyer of Danville, Ill., and was appointed Special Commissioner to Cuba by President McKinley last year.

#### STARVING CUBANS FED.

entral Relief Committee as follows:

I. S. Consul Hvatt Tells of the Relief Work Being Done at Santiago de Cuba. New York, March 7.-United States Consul Hyatt writes from his post at de Cuba to the New York

"I desire to make a brief report of he first four days' work in distributing the food and medicine which I received in due time by steamship Niagara. As stated in a previous communication, a committee of thirty of the best ladies of the place divided the city into fifteen districts, with two ladies to each dis-These issued ration tickets according to the number of needy persons in each house. These tickets are honored under the direction of a committee of gentlemen and myself, and a iberal weeks rations are issued to each. To prevent imposition we are obliged to refuse all who do not come with

tickets from the ladies.
"The first day's rations were issued to 379; second day, 577; third day, 1,083; fourth day, 1.027; total, 3,066. Each ration being for seven days makes a total of 21,462 for one day.

"As near as I can judge only about one-half of the people who need help have yet received their first rations. and the codfish and beans will give out before we get around the first time. I have given moderate quantities to the eleemosynary institutions of the and sent some to the mining and other towns near by. We are trying to make both food and medicine do the most good possible. It takes six or eight policemen to keep the crowds in order.

"I am obliged to spend some money for labor, cartage, transportation, cables, incidentals, etc. There are numerous people badly ruptured and in a distressed condition. I am skilled in handling trusses, but I hardly think it advisable to send trusses, as each case needs a stock to select from. I would not advise sending any more medicine except quinine for the present. Everything sent has been of superior quality. The medicines have had almost miraculous effects. Should you make further shipments keep beans, rice and codfish in the foreground, but everything comes in play.

"Smallpox has again broken out, and I have requested Surgeon-General Wy-man to send to you for me a quantity Should it not come to hand I will thank you to furnish me with a moderate quantity."

#### GARY INCREASES REWARD.

For the Detection of Murderers of Lake City's Negro Postmaster.

Washington , March 7 .- Postmaster-General Gary has issued the following circular offering a reward of \$1,500 for the arrest and conviction of each person who participated in the murder of Postmaster Baker at Lake City, S. C., on the night of February 21:

"The special award of \$300 heretofore offered by the Postoffice Department for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who burned the postoffice at Lake City, S. C., on the night of February 21, 1898, is hereby renewed and the special award of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who murdered the postmaster hereby increased to \$1,500 for the arest and conviction of each person who participated in said murder.

These rewards will be paid to the person causing such arrests and conviction upon presentation to the department of satisfactory documentary proof thereof, but no claim for the above rewards will be entertained by the department unless presented within six months from the date of conviction."

#### Want Mr. Wanamaker's Answer

Philadelphia, March 7 .- A committee of the Business Men's League, which several weeks ago adopted a resolution requesting John Wanamaker to allow the use of his name as the anti-Quay candidate for Governor, had a conference with Mr. Wanamaker here Saturday. The committee consisted of President Elias Deemer, of Williamsport; Robert J. Morehead, of Northeast, and John G. McAskie, of Scranton. Upon conclusion of the conference Mr. Deemer stated that Mr. Wanamaker would give his definite reply to the League to-day or to-morrow. Mr. Deemer said that while Mr. Wanamaker did not commit himself, he (Deemer) was of the opinion that he would accept the League's request and become a candidate for Governor.

#### Cotton Workers' Strike Has Failed. Biddeford, Me., March 7 .- The striking operatives of the Pepperell and Laconia cotton mills, who went out seven weeks ago in resistence of a 10 per cent. cut-down returned to work this morning. Robert McArthur, agent of the corporations, informed the that he could make no promises, other than to assure them that the Pepper-

ell and Laconia would not be the last of the New England mills to restore the old wages when the cotton market improves. The Pepperell and Laconia employ 3,500 operatives.

#### Mississippi Negro Lynched. Lake Cormorant, Miss., March 7 .-

Will Jones, a negro, was lynched last night for maltreating a colored woman yesterday. The mob met the officers while they were transferring the negro for safekeeping, and taking him from them, dragged him to a telephone pole near by, where his body was left swinging in the moonlight. The negro was tried a week ago for a similar offense, but the evidence was not sufficient to convict him.

#### Over 900 People Start for Alaska. Seattle, Wash., March 7.-Over 900

persons left here yesterday on the steamers Valencia and Queen. The Valencia, bound for Copper River, carried 600, and the Queen, bound for south-eastern Alaska, carried 318. At Tacoma and other Sound ports the Queen's list will be increased to 600.

Pittsburg Woman Burned to Death. Pittsburg, Pa., March 7.—Mrs. Dom-inic Enriello, wife a fruit huckster, was burned to death in a fire yesterday at 614 Webster avenue. Five others were badly injured, and of the five three may die. The building in which the fire took place was a tenement house containing three families.

#### Spreckles Buys a Big Ranch.

San Francisco, March 7.-The most imoprtant real estate sale that has occurred in California in several years is that of the sale of the famous Tequisquito ranch of 10,000 acres in Santa Clara Valley to Claus Spreckels.

#### KID M'COY CHAMPION.

The New Champion of the Ring-Fitzim-mons and Corbett Refused to Meet Him. Indianapolis, Ind., March 8 .- As the six weeks' time which McCoy has allowed Fitzsimmons to either decline or accept his chaffenge has expired, the Kid has claimed the championship. He will leave the \$5,000 forfeit up to fight any man in the world for the title.

Although the majority of the sporting men laugh at McCoy when he calls himself the champion, it must be conceded, however, that McCoy is perfectly right in claiming the title, as he had his money posted for a fight with Fitzsimmons, and as the latter has declined to fight him, he is in every way entitled to claim the championship

Fitzsimmons, in the statement which he gave out in Columbus recently, stated that he would fight McCov at the middle-weight limit, 154 or 158 pounds, after the Kid defeated Maher. There is one thing, however, which Fitzsimmons ought to remember. He is the recognized champion of the world and he must defend the title against all comers, if the challenger can secure a big side bet worth his while fighting

Fitzsimmons has no right to tell Mc-Cov that he must fight Maher, Sharkey or any one else, just because Corbett told him to do so, for McCoy is willing to fight for \$10,000 a side, and unless Fitz consents to fight McCoy, the latter can claim the championship of the world-a thing which John L.

Sullivan never allowed any fighter to McCoy's next big battle will be with Joe Chovnski, which is scheduled for

#### Miss Brewster Granted a New Trial.

Hot Springs on April 20.

Rutland, Vt., March 8 .- The Supreme Court has sustained the demurrer of Mildred Brewster, who killed Miss Wheeler, near Montpelier, and granted her a new trial. Miss Brwster was jealous of the woman she killed. When she learned that her victim was dead she put a builet into her own head but survived. She is in prison. Her new trial will begin during the present term of the County Court.

#### The Yellow Fever Germ.

Chicago, March 8 .-- Dr. Edwin Klebs, liscoverer of the diphtheria germ, declares he has also discovered the true yellow fever germ. The professor is still developing his theory. He says he has proved that the cause of yelfever must enter the system brough the mouth, and that infection may be avoided by means of properly sterilized food.

#### Situation Grave in India.

Bombay, India, March 8 .- The situation here is grave. There is extreme unrest among the natives, who are incensd at the plague measures, which wound their religious susceptibilities. In addition, the plague authorities are at loggerheads with the city corporation, which has stopped their supplies of money.

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